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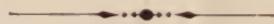
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## FORM OF BEQUEST.



*I give and bequeath to the New York Infant Asylum,  
incorporated in the year 1865, under the Laws of the State  
of New York, the sum of ..... Dollars,  
to be used for the purposes of said Society.*



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NEW YORK INFANT ASYLUM,  
SECRETARY'S OFFICE,  
No. 128 BROADWAY,  
NEW YORK, January 22, 1885.

TO THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE  
NEW YORK INFANT ASYLUM:

The following assignments for visitation have been made by the Board, upon recommendation of the President, of which members will please take notice:

61st Street Branch. 1885. Mount Vernon Home.

|            |  |            |   |
|------------|--|------------|---|
| January—   | STARIN, TURNER.                            | January—   | ELY, EASTMAN, Prest.<br>FRENCH.           |
| February—  | VAN VOORHIS, WAL-<br>LACE, WILLIS.         | February—  | Mayor GRACE, GARRI-<br>SON, GUION.        |
| March—     | BATES, BELDEN, BELL.                       | March—     | HATCH, R. B. KIMBALL.                     |
| April—     | President BRENNAN,<br>BLAKEMAN, CHALMERS.  | April—     | T. C. KIMBALL, KNICK-<br>ERBACKER.        |
| May—       | CLARK, CORBIN.                             | May—       | MANUEL, QUINTARD.                         |
| June—      | DAY, ELY.                                  | June—      | Prest. SANGER, SIM-<br>MONS.              |
| July—      | EASTMAN, President<br>FRENCH, Mayor GRACE. | July—      | STARIN, TURNER.                           |
| August—    | GARRISON, GUION.                           | August—    | VAN VOORHIS, WAL-<br>LACE.                |
| September— | HATCH, R. B. KIMBALL.                      | September— | BATES, WILLIS.                            |
| October—   | T. C. KIMBALL, KNICK-<br>ERBACKER.         | October—   | BELDEN, BELL.                             |
| November—  | MANUEL, QUINTARD.                          | November—  | President BRENNAN,<br>BLAKEMAN, CHALMERS. |
| December—  | Prest. SANGER, SIM-<br>MONS.               | December—  | CLARK, CORBIN, DAY.                       |

1866.

|          |                 |          |                                    |
|----------|-----------------|----------|------------------------------------|
| January— | STARIN, TURNER. | January— | ELY, EASTMAN AND<br>Prest. FRENCH. |
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Managers are requested to visit at least twice in the month to which they are assigned. If unable to visit where assigned, they are requested to arrange with some Manager to supply their place by exchange. The assignments are so made that every Manager is assigned for visitation one month in the year, to each branch.

RICHARD B. KIMBALL,  
*Secretary.*

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|                       | JULIUS HALGARTEN.*        |



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—1871—

|                    |                         |
|--------------------|-------------------------|
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—1872—

|                           |                       |
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\* Deceased.

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—1873—

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ALLEN SMITH.  
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—1874—

MISS M. S. MORTIMER.

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—1875—

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—1876—

—1877—

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—1878—

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—1879—

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—1880—

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—1881—

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 HON. HENRY HILTON.

—1882—

B. W. VAN VOORHIS.

| HENRY KNICKERBACKER.

—1883—

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\* Deceased.

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—1871—

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—1878—

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—1879—

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—1881—

|                   |                           |
|-------------------|---------------------------|
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—1882—

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—1883—

|                        |                       |
|------------------------|-----------------------|
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—1884—

|                    |                    |
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## ANNUAL ADDRESS

OF THE PRESIDENT,

CLARK BELL, Esq.,

January 21, 1885.



LADIES AND GENTLEMEN :

I continue the statistical tables made from an analysis of the various reports for 1884, which will give the results of our work from year to year.

### STATISTICS.

The following tables show the number of women and children in this Institution on January 1, in each year since, and on January 1, 1879 :

|                          | WOMEN. | CHILDREN. | TOTAL. |
|--------------------------|--------|-----------|--------|
| On January 1, 1879 ..... | 83     | 209       | 292    |
| " " " 1880 .....         | 115    | 216       | 331    |
| " " " 1881 .....         | 147    | 220       | 367    |
| " " " 1882 .....         | 149    | 238       | 387    |
| " " " 1883 .....         | 168    | 267       | 435    |
| " " " 1884 ....          | 167    | 289       | 406    |
| " " " 1885 .....         | 188    | 277       | 465    |

SANITARIUM, MOUNT VERNON, N. Y.





Classifying these for former years, we have :

|                                       | WOMEN. | CHILDREN. | TOTAL. |
|---------------------------------------|--------|-----------|--------|
| January 1, 1881 : In 61st Street..... | 63     | 47        | 110    |
| In Mt. Vernon.....                    | 47     | 104       | 151    |
| In Flushing.....                      | 37     | 69        | 106    |
| Total.....                            | 147    | 220       | 367    |
| January 1, 1882 : In 61st Street..... | 63     | 50        | 113    |
| In Mt. Vernon.....                    | 86     | 188       | 274    |
| Total.....                            | 149    | 238       | 387    |
| January 1, 1883 : In 61st Street..... | 75     | 57        | 132    |
| In Mt. Vernon.....                    | 93     | 210       | 303    |
| Total.....                            | 168    | 267       | 435    |
| January 1, 1884 : In 61st Street..... | 110    | 101       | 211    |
| In Mt. Vernon.....                    | 57     | 138       | 195    |
| Total.....                            | 167    | 239       | 506    |
| January 1, 1885 : In 61st Street..... | 74     | 55        | 129    |
| In Mt. Vernon.....                    | 114    | 222       | 336    |
| Total.....                            | 188    | 277       | 465    |

In further comparing the years we have sheltered in our Institution women and children, as follows :

|                    |     |
|--------------------|-----|
| For year 1878..... | 580 |
| “ “ 1879.....      | 598 |
| “ “ 1880.....      | 661 |
| “ “ 1881.....      | 862 |

|                    |  |     |
|--------------------|--|-----|
| For year 1882..... |  | 878 |
| " " 1883.....      |  | 928 |
| " " 1884.....      |  | 984 |

|                                 | WOMEN. | CHILDREN. | TOTAL. |
|---------------------------------|--------|-----------|--------|
| Received during 1880.....       | 170    | 160       | 330    |
| On January 1, 1879.....         | 115    | 216       | 331    |
| Total for 1880 .....            | 285    | 376       | 661    |
| Received during 1881.....       | 251    | 244       | 495    |
| On January 1, 1880 .....        | 147    | 220       | 367    |
| Total for 1881.....             | 398    | 464       | 862    |
| Received during 1882.....       | 241    | 247       | 488    |
| On January 1, 1881 .....        | 152    | 238       | 390    |
| Total for 1882 .....            | 393    | 485       | 878    |
| Received during 1883. ....      | 251    | 242       | 493    |
| In Asylum January 1, 1883 ..... | 168    | 267       | 435    |
|                                 | 419    | 509       | 928    |
| Received during 1884 .....      | 292    | 286       | 578    |
| In Asylum January 1, 1884.....  | 167    | 239       | 406    |
|                                 | 459    | 525       | 984    |

#### MEDICAL DEPARTMENT.

The reorganization of the Medical Department has been attended with good results for the charity.

has been thought wise to increase the Medical Service at each branch by the appointment of assistants to the Resident Physician.

The report of the Medical Board will be presented at this meeting.

Dr. H. J. Garrigues has been added to the Medical Board (Obstetrical Department, at Sixty-first street), and Dr. C. L. Dana has been transferred, at his own request, from the Sixty-first street branch to the Mount Vernon branch department of Nervous and Mental Diseases. Dr. Wendt has been appointed Pathologist at Sixty-first street branch vice W. H. Welch, M.D., who has accepted a chair in the John Hopkins University of Baltimore. The thanks of the Board are due Dr. Welch for valuable services.

#### THE WORK OF THE YEAR.

It gives me great pleasure to speak of the success which has attended the administration of the charity for the past year. There is entire harmony in the management, and the work has progressed under most favorable conditions.

The inmates have never had better care, nor has the domestic and internal administration ever been in better condition.

It may not be amiss to briefly advert to this field of our labor.

The Maternity at Sixty-first street is managed in its domestic concerns by the ladies, who devote themselves to this work, with the aid of an excellent matron, a female resident physician, and a female assistant, which may, if necessary, be increased to two female assistants.

The details of the labors of this branch are best shown by the report of the Resident Physician and of the Ladies' Committees, made through the year to this Board, and by their annual reports.

The Mount Vernon branch or home, is in charge, in its domestic and interior management, of a like committee of ladies, under the management of a matron and assistant, a resident and assistant physician.

The reports made monthly to the Medical Board, and to

the meetings of the Board of Managers, show the details of this interesting and important work.

The moral and religious character of this work, and the steps taken to exercise a proper influence upon our beneficiaries, have been of a high character, and attended with favorable results. I submit extracts from a letter to myself from Rev. Dr. Woodruff—that estimable man, who through so many years has given his heart to this labor of love, in a way that entitles him to the heartfelt thanks of every friend of this charity, and which fitly illustrates the character of the moral and religious exercises and influences at the Sixty-first street branch :

THE NEW YORK PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CITY MISSION SOCIETY.

Rt. REV. HORATIO POTTER, D.D., LL.D., D.C.L. (*ex-officio*), *President.*  
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MR. JOHN H. BOYNTON, *Treasurer.*

REV. C. T. WOODRUFF, SUPERINTENDENT.

OFFICE, 306 MULBERRY ST.

NEW YORK, July 3d, 1884.

DEAR MR. BELL :

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As soon as possible after the original institution at Sixty-first Street and Tenth Avenue was in working order, I was called upon by one of the managers to see if I would be responsible for a regular Service in the Asylum once every month. I was informed that several of the clergy had been spoken to and had signified their willingness to supply the other Sundays. The third Sunday was named as my Sunday, and I held my first Service on the 15th of June, 1873, and have continued to hold regular Services from that time to the present.

To my sorrow, I learned that one and another of the clergy had failed to fulfil their engagement, till, finally, I was the only one left. I undertook, at first, to supply these vacancies, but, having three regular services every Sunday, beside, I found it impossible to do so, in full, and contented myself with having two Services each month at the Asylum. The managers spared no pains to secure clergymen to take the other Sundays, but failed. When the house was opened in Clinton Place, I held a Service once a month, the first being October 19, 1873. After a little, the Board passed a resolution inviting me to hold two (2) Services each month at Sixty-first Street and Clinton Place, which I undertook to do, and continued doing, till Clinton Place was closed. After that I was at Sixty-first Street nearly every Sunday P. M.

At my second Service there, July 12th, 1873, I baptized 8 children by the special request of the mothers, and have baptized more or less children at almost every Service since that time, besides many private baptisms during the week, when children were very sick, and the mothers feared to wait till the next Sunday.

To give point to these baptisms, I have given to each mother a card (see specimen annexed) containing the child's name, place of baptism, birth, names of parent and sponsor; on the back of which is a concise statement of Christian doctrine and duty, fitted to teach when no one but God was near. And it is proper to say that the care with which these cards have been preserved, and the urgency with which a duplicate has been asked for when the original was lost, shows how deep an impression was made, and encourages the hope that the great revealing day will disclose many glorious results from the teachings of the Baptismal Service, kept in mind by the Baptismal Card.

Soon after I began my Services, also, one of the mothers, whose child I had baptized, having lost it by death, asked me to bury it. Accordingly, I held a funeral Service at which every one who could leave the wards was present. I read the Burial Service of the Episcopal

Church, and made an address appropriate to the occasion. I was astonished to see only a coffin of unplanned boards, and shocked to learn that it was not considered important to have funeral services as a general thing ; that the little ones were taken away by an employee of the city in an ordinary wagon, and buried by the city. It seemed a dreadful and most demoralizing thing to do. These mothers, though erring and sinful, and, perhaps vile, were yet women with all the sensibilities of womanhood and motherhood, and I saw at once that the benevolent objects aimed at by the founding of the Asylum were not only nullified in this way, but productive of the worst evils, for how could they believe that any one cared for their souls when no care was taken of their children after death ?

I found an intense desire, on the part of the mothers, that their children should receive a Christian burial and be laid away in a consecrated ground, and promised to gratify it, much to their comfort and peace. In order to give still more effect to this natural feeling, I suggested that each coffin be covered with white muslin fastened with small silver-headed nails; that a nice little dress should be made and that flowers should be provided.

It was touching to see how these simple suggestions moved all hearts, and also to see their readiness and eagerness to assist in carrying them out. Not a burial has taken place without the white coffin, the simple shroud and either natural or artificial flowers. The bodies are taken to "St. Michael's Church Yard," in Astoria, and the expense is borne, equally, by the managers and the New York Protestant Episcopal City Mission Society.

I speak of these two things—*Christian Baptism and Christian Burial*—because they have had such a marked and salutary influence on the inmates ; and these, taken in connection with the regular Sunday services, created in the beginning, and have maintained a healthy, moral and Christian atmosphere in the Asylum, corner of Sixty-first Street. The services on Sunday and at other times are well attended, and the inmates take part in the common prayer with real interest and apparent devotion. The object has always been to make them pleasant and attractive, as well as instructive. At first one of the Managers assisted in the music, but her health failed, and I have since been the organist and leader. The Managers have shown their interest in these services by being present themselves and by bringing their friends, especially when the service was in the afternoon ; and they have been encouraged to do this, not only from their interest in the work, but because of the character of those who applied for admission. A close observation of *eleven years* justifies me in saying that the inmates of the Asylum *are not*, as many suppose, shameless and vile, but *are*, on the contrary, with rare, *very rare* exceptions, of just the opposite stamp. From the beginning, the Asylum has been filled with those who were *governesses*, teachers, ladies' maids, nurses and up-stairs girls, who have been "sinned against more than sinning." And this is evident not only from the great sense of shame and humiliation manifested, but especially from their general refusal to part with their children for any consideration. If they were from the low and vicious classes they would be only too glad to give their children to anybody, or to leave them to be cared for by anybody so disposed.

It is this feature of the Asylum which makes all efforts in behalf of the inmates so full of hope for the future. It is, indeed, a Christian-like work, and has received and will continue to receive His rich blessing.

The Asylum is singularly fortunate in having a loving, sympathetic and Christian woman as Resident Physician, and a motherly Christian woman as Matron, both of whom use all their personal and official influence to make the Asylum such, *in reality*, i. e., a safe retreat from the world and a *real Christian family* !

The facts above stated show that, from the beginning, public Sunday services have been held in the Asylum, corner Sixty-first Street and Tenth Avenue, for the benefit of the inmates ; that nearly all the children born there have been publicly baptized there ; that those who have died there have received a public Christian burial, with an address on each occasion ; that, for the four years last past, a Bible-class has been held nearly every Sunday, and that all the inmates who can leave the wards are gathered in the chapel every morning and evening for family prayers. \* \* \* \* \*

Very truly your friend,

C. T. WOODRUFF,

Chaplain.

(COPY CARD.)

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the  
Holy Ghost. Amen.



This is to Certify, That John Smith received Holy  
Baptism in Chapel of N. Y. Infant Asylum, cor. 61st  
St. and 10th Ave., on Sunday, the sixth day of July, in  
the year of our Lord 1884.

Born June 17th, 1884.

Mary Smith,                    }  
                                    Parents.

Miss Ellen Taylor,            }  
                                    Sponsors.

Attest,

Rev. C. T. Woodruff,

Chaplain.

(OBVERSE.)



## THAT THOU HAST

A God to glorify. 1 Cor. iv, 20.

A Saviour to believe in and imitate. Acts xvi, 31. 1 Pet. ii, 21.

A body to mortify through the Spirit. Rom. viii, 13.

A soul to save. Phil. ii, 12, 13.

The Scripture to search and meditate upon. John v, 39. Ps. 1, 2. Josh. i, 7, 8.  
Deut. xi, 18—21.

Repentance to seek and perform. Acts v, 31. Luke xiii, 3.

Passions to subdue. 2 Cor. x, 5. Eph. iv, 31, 32.

Sins to weep over and forsake. Zech. xii, 16. Luke vii, 38. Prov. xxviii, 13.  
Matt. xxvi, 75.Graces and virtues to implore by earnest prayer. Phil. iv, 6. Mark xi, 24.  
James i, 5, 6; iv, 2, 3.

The old man to put off and destroy. Eph. iv, 22. Rom. vi, 6.

The new man to put on and to nourish. Eph. iv, 23—25. 1 Pet. ii, 2. 2 Pet. i, 5—11.  
Mercies and deliverances to be thankful for. Ps. lvi, 12, 13. Ps. ciii, 1—5.

Ps. cxvi, 12—14.

Works of charity to perform. Matt. xxv, 35—40. Gal. vi, 10.

A neighbor to edify. Rom. xv, 2. Eph. iv, 29.

A world to fear and yet to conquer. 2 Cor. vi, 17. 1 John v, 4,

Devils to combat. Eph. vi, 12. 1 Pet. v, 8, 9.

A hell to avoid. Matt. iii, 7. Mark ix, 43—48.

A paradise to gain. Rev. ii, 7, 10; xxii, 1—5.

Time to husband. Eph. v, 16. 1 Cor. vii, 29—31.

An eternity to meditate on. Col. iii, 2. 2 Cor. iv, 18,

To prepare for death. Luke xii, 20. 2 Tim. iv, 6, 7.

And to watch for the day of judgment. Mark xiii, 32, 37. 2 Cor. v, 10.

And all these must be met and performed not in thine own strength, which is perfect  
weakness. 2 Cor. xii, 10. Phil. iv, 13. But in the

## Grace of Christ :

## TO BE SOUGHT BY FAITH WITHIN THE CHURCH, HIS BODY.

Acts ii, 47. Eph. i, 22, 23; ii, 19—22; iv, 4—6; John xv, 4, 5. 1 Tim. iii, 15. Through  
his appointed means.

The Sacraments.

Of Baptism. Mark xvi, 15, 16. Matt. xxviii, 19. Tit. iii, 5, 6. 1 Cor. xii, 13. Rom. vi, 4.  
John iii, 5.

The Lord's Supper. John vi, 53, 54. 1 Cor. xi, 23—26. Acts ii, 42.

And other ordinances. Acts ii, 42. 2 Thess. ii, 13—15. John iv, 14. John iii, 27. Acts  
i, 14. Rom. xii, 12. Eph. vi, 18. Col. iv, 2. Heb. x, 25. Rom. x, 14, 15. 1 Cor. i,  
18, 21. 1 Cor. xiv, 3.

Administered by his

Appointed stewards, the clergy. 1 Cor. iv, 1. 2 Cor. v, 20. 1 Thess. v, 12, 13. 1 Pet.  
iv, 10.In apostolical succession. John iii, 27. Heb. v, 4. Num. xvi. Rom. x, 14, 15, Matt.  
xxviii, 20. John xx, 21. Eph. iv, 11, 12. Acts i, 21—26. Acts vi, 1—6. 1 Tim. iv,  
14. Tit. i, 5.And to be maintained in unity of spirit. 2 Tim. i, 13. Heb. xiii, 9. Eph. iv, 4, 5. In  
the Bond of peace. 2 Cor. xiii, 11. Phil. iii, 16. Eph. iv, 1, 2, 3.

In righteousness of life. 1 Tim. iii, 9. Micah. vi, 8. Tit. ii, 11, 12. 2 Tim. ii, 19.

The Religious and Devotional Services at Mount Vernon are as follows: Morning and evening devotions are held daily. A religious Service of Song is held once during each week. Preaching 3 P. M. each Sabbath afternoon in the Sanitarium, which is conducted by the Rev. Mr. Coffey, of the Protestant Episcopal Church of East Chester, on the first, third, and fifth Sundays of each month. The second and fourth Sundays, the sermons have been preached by Rev. Mr. Hiscock, of the Baptist Church; Rev. Mr. Clearwater, of the Dutch Reformed Church; Rev. Messrs. Crook and Olmstead, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, who have divided the labor among themselves by arrangement. Grace is said at all meals, and funeral services have been conducted by the same clergymen. No inmate has ever been buried without a funeral service.

The thanks of the Board are due the reverend clergymen who have thus participated in and conducted the public services and worship on Sundays, and I should feel greatly pleased if the Board would make some formal and suitable expression of its appreciation of the kindness of heart and Christian co-operation of these reverend gentlemen who have so nobly aided the management in this department and field of its labor.

The management have decided to establish the Kindergarten system of teaching at the Mount Vernon branch, and have employed a competent teacher who has commenced with children of very tender years, and the school is in successful operation.

The system of visitation, by the Managers assigning a given number for each month in the year at each branch, has been successfully instituted, and I herewith submit for your approval the assignment for 1885.

All things for the welfare, comfort, and good of the inmates are carefully considered, and with the practical and systematic aid of the ladies I am not conscious that anything is wanting for the good of the beneficiaries of this charity, in the power of the Board to provide.

### FINANCES.

The Treasurer's report will show the total receipts and expenditures for the year.

The needs of the Institution require an early consideration of enlarging our Maternity Wards, and the purchase of lots for the erection of suitable structures, commensurate with the needs of the charity, and the accomplishment of its mission in our city.

### FINALLY.

Now that our Board is filled by those who work harmoniously with a common zeal and purpose for the substantial good of the beneficiaries of this Institution, we may confidently look forward to a year of still more successful labors than any in the past, and with thanks to those good friends who have so nobly aided us by their gifts and encouragements. let us with new courage enter upon the labors of another year.

ANNUAL REPORT  
MADE TO THE  
STATE BOARD OF CHARITIES.

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TÓ THE STATE BOARD OF CHARITIES,

ALBANY, N. Y.:

In compliance with the requirements of section 6, chapter 571 of the Laws of 1873, the managers of the New York Infant Asylum hereby furnish the information requested by your Board relating to said institution, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1884.

SCHEDULE.

VALUATION OF THE PROPERTY OF THE INSTITUTION,  
OCTOBER 1, 1884.

|  |              |
|--|--------------|
| Value of the Real Estate, including Buildings, Fixtures,<br>Furniture and all appurtenances..... | \$96,000 00  |
| Value of Personal Estate, including Bonds, Stocks and other<br>investments.....                  | 10,000 00    |
| Total Valuation of Property of all kinds.....  | \$106,000 00 |

INDEBTEDNESS OF THE INSTITUTION, OCTOBER 1, 1884.

|  |            |
|--|------------|
| Indebtedness upon the Real Estate..... |            |
| Other Indebtedness.....                | 4,900 00   |
| Total Indebtedness.....                | \$4,900 00 |

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES OF THE INSTITUTION FOR THE  
FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1884.

|   |             |
|---|-------------|
| Cash on hand October 1, 1883.....                       | 5,619 96    |
| <hr/>   |             |
| RECEIVED DURING THE YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1884.     |             |
| From Appropriations by the State.....                   | \$          |
| From Appropriations by Board of Supervisors.....        |             |
| From Appropriations by Cities.....                      | 65,981 65   |
| From Individuals, for the support of Inmates.....       |             |
| By Legacies, Donations and Voluntary Contributions..... | 8,152 36    |
| From Interest and Dividends on Investments.....         | 675 00      |
| From Loans, Bonds, Stocks and other Investments.....    |             |
| From money borrowed.....                                |             |
| From all other sources.....                             |             |
| Total Receipts, including cash on hand.....             | \$80,428 97 |

## EXPENDED DURING THE YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1884.

|  |                        |
|--|------------------------|
| For Indebtedness upon Real Estate, Principal.....    | \$                     |
| "        "        "        "        Interest.....    |                        |
| For other Indebtedness existing October 1, 1883..... |                        |
| For Salaries of Officers, Wages and Labor .....      | 4,100 00               |
| For Provisions and Supplies .....                    | 49,856 64              |
| For Clothing .....                                   | 3,100 00               |
| For Fuel and Lights .....                            | 5,755 31               |
| For Medicines and Medical Supplies .....             | 885 86                 |
| For Furniture, Beds and Bedding .....                | 1,923 83               |
| For Ordinary Repairs .....                           | 1,962 02               |
| For Buildings and Improvements .....                 | 6,321 27               |
| For Investment.....                                  |                        |
| For all other purposes .....                         | 4,897 59               |
| <br>Total Expenditures.....                          | <br><u>\$78,802 52</u> |

Cash on hand September 30, 1884..... \$1,626 45

## STATISTICS OF THE INSTITUTION FOR THE YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1884.

|  |         |
|--|---------|
| Number of Inmates in the Institution October 1, 1883, as per last report ..... | 418     |
| Number of Persons received during the year.....                                | 556     |
| <br>Total number of Inmates during the year.....                               | <br>974 |

## DISCHARGED DURING THE YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1884.

|   |         |
|---|---------|
| By Adoption .....                       | 28      |
| By Indenture .....                      | 0       |
| Returned to Parents or Guardians .....  | 49      |
| Left without permission .....           | 3       |
| Transferred to other Institutions ..... | 2       |
| Sent out of the State .....             | 17      |
| Otherwise discharged .....              | 327     |
| Died .....                              | 86      |
| <br>Total Discharged.....               | <br>512 |

## REMAINING IN THE INSTITUTION OCTOBER 1, 1884.

|                                  |     |
|----------------------------------|-----|
| Men.....                         | 0   |
| Women.....                       | 192 |
| Boys (under sixteen years).....  | 149 |
| Girls (under sixteen years)..... | 121 |

Total remaining..... 462

THE AVERAGE NUMBER OF INMATES DURING THE YEAR WAS... 441

REMARKS : The children sent out of the State were all placed in good families, and might be properly reported as adoptions, which would make the total adoptions 45.

Dated September 30, 1884.

Respectfully submitted,

CLARK BELL, President.

L. M. BATES, Treasurer.

# ANNUAL REPORT

MADE TO THE

Board of Supervisors of the City and County of New York and to the Honorable the Legislature of the State of New York.

The Board of Managers of the New York Infant Asylum, in accordance with the requirements of their charter, granted by the Legislature in the month of March, 1865, beg leave to present the following report of the operation of the Asylum for the year ending December 31, 1884:

During the past year the Institution has occupied the Asylum at the corner of Tenth Avenue and Sixty-first Street, New York, and the Country Home at Mount Vernon, Westchester County.

The following is a summary of the financial condition of the Asylum :

## RECEIPTS.

|                                |             |
|--------------------------------|-------------|
| Received during the year ..... | \$77,661 55 |
|--------------------------------|-------------|

## EXPENDITURES.

|   |           |
|---|-----------|
| Total disbursements.....                          | 68,894 25 |
| Balance in Treasurer's hands January 1, 1884..... | 8,767 30  |
| The "Vedder" gift, about.....                     | 9,000 00  |

## ADMISSIONS, DISCHARGES, &c., DURING THE YEAR.

Admitted :

|                            |     |
|----------------------------|-----|
| Women for confinement..... | 237 |
| " with children.....       | 55  |
| Total.....                 | 292 |

|                             |     |
|-----------------------------|-----|
| Children born.....          | 202 |
| " received during year..... | 86  |
| Total.....                  | 288 |

|   |     |
|---|-----|
| Children in Mount Vernon January 1, 1884..... | 129 |
| " " Sixty-first Street " " .....              | 101 |
| Total.....                                    | 230 |

|  |    |
|--|----|
| Women at Sixty-first Street for confinement Jan. 1, 1884.. | 23 |
| "        "      with children.....                         | 87 |

|  |     |
|--|-----|
| Total.....                                 | 110 |
| Women at Mount Vernon January 1, 1884..... | 64  |

|  |     |
|--|-----|
| Total sheltered.....                                       | 984 |
| Being women.....   | 466 |
| "    children.....   | 518 |
| Number under 6 months old when received.....               | 256 |
| "    over     "    and under 1 year old, when received.... | 12  |
| "    "    1 year     "    2     "    "    "    ".....      | 20  |

|  |     |
|--|-----|
| Total number received during the year..... | 288 |
| of these 148 were males, and               |     |
| 130     "    females.                      |     |

#### PLACE OF NATIVITY—NEW YORK STATE.

| NATIONALITY OF PARENTS. | FATHERS. | MOTHERS. |
|-------------------------|----------|----------|
| American.....           | 152      | 153      |
| Canadian.....           | 3        | 5        |
| Cuban.....              | 3        | 0        |
| Danish.....             | 1        | 1        |
| English.....            | 15       | 14       |
| French.....             | 3        | 1        |
| German.....             | 43       | 43       |
| Hungarian.....          | 2        | 2        |
| Irish.....              | 35       | 61       |
| Norwegian.....          | 1        | 0        |
| Scotch.....             | 4        | 3        |
| Spanish.....            | 2        | 0        |
| Swedish.....            | 4        | 4        |
| Swiss.....              | 2        | 1        |
| Welsh.....              | 1        | 0        |
| Unknown.....            | 17       | 5        |

#### DISCHARGES

|  |     |
|--|-----|
| Number of children adopted.....  | 32  |
| "    deaths (4 women, 62 children).....  | 66  |
| "    children restored to parents, removed by parents, or<br>otherwise discharged..... | 421 |

#### CAUSE OF DEATH.

#### AT SIXTY-FIRST ST. MATERNITY AND HOUSE OF RECEPTION.

##### WOMEN.

|   |   |
|---|---|
| Acute puerperal septicæmia.....             | 1 |
| Erysipelas.....                             | 1 |
| Puerperal peritonitis—pleuro-pneumonia..... | 2 |

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##### CHILDREN.

|  |   |
|--|---|
| Acute diffuse peritonitis.....                     | 1 |
| "    "    "    —erysipelas of inguinal region..... | 1 |
| Acute diffuse peritonitis—general erysipelas.....  | 1 |
| Acute tuberculosis.....                            | 1 |

|  |    |
|--|----|
| Asthenia.....                              | 2  |
| Broncho-pneumonia.....                     | 1  |
| Capillary bronchitis—pneumonia.....        | 1  |
| Compression of brain.....                  | 1  |
| Concussion of brain.....                   | 1  |
| Congenital hydrocephalus—spina bifida..... | 1  |
| Congenital syphilis.....                   | 1  |
| Gastro-enteritis.....                      | 3  |
| Insufficient vitality.....                 | 2  |
| Meningeal hemorrhage.....                  | 5  |
| Pleuro-pneumonia.....                      | 1  |
| Pneumonia (double).....                    | 1  |
| Prematurity.....                           | 3  |
| Total.....                                 | 27 |

## AT MOUNT VERNON.

WOMEN—None.

## CHILDREN.

|  |    |
|--|----|
| Atelectasis pulmonum.....                        | 1  |
| “        “ and inanition.....                    | 1  |
| Asphyxia.....                                    | 1  |
| Broncho-pneumonia.....                           | 3  |
| Bronchitis, acute, and broncho-pneumonia.....    | 2  |
| “        “ œdema pulmonum.....                   | 2  |
| “        “ capillary.....                        | 2  |
| Cholera infantum.....                            | 4  |
| Enteritis.....                                   | 7  |
| Entero-colitis.....                              | 1  |
| Gastro-enteritis and inanition                   | 1  |
| Hydrocephalus, acute and broncho-pneumonia ..... | 1  |
| “        “ chronic.....                          | 1  |
| Inanition.....                                   | 3  |
| Laryngitis, acute catarrhal.....                 | 2  |
| Pneumonia, croupous.....                         | 1  |
| Pleuritis, acute.....                            | 1  |
| Retro-œsophageal abscess.....                    | 1  |
| Total.....                                       | 35 |
| At Sixty-first Street.....                       | 31 |
| At Mount Vernon.....                             | 35 |
| Total.....                                       | 66 |

All of which is respectfully submitted.

CLARK BELL,

President.

RICHARD B. KIMBALL,

Secretary.

Dated NEW YORK CITY, January 20, 1885.



BATES COLLEGE, MOUNT VERNON, N. Y.



LEVI M. BATES, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH NEW YORK INFANT ASYLUM.

|   |             |  |             |
|---|-------------|--|-------------|
| Amount received from City and County of New York..... | \$67,796 24 | General Expenses, 61st St. and Mt. Vernon..... | \$47,300 80 |
| Donations.....  | 3,236 01    | Gas.....                                       | 1,832 28    |
| Interest on Mobile and Ohio Railroad Bonds..          | 675 00      | Fuel.....                                      | 4,225 53    |
| " 1st Debenture....                                   | 163 50      | Department Public Works.....                   | 137 68      |
| Collections through Mr. L. M. Bates.....              | 5,850 80    | Furniture.....                                 | 1,068 27    |
|   |             | Repairs, Painting, &c.....                     | 2,733 77    |
|   |             | Awnings and Tents.....                         | 80 23       |
|   |             | Insurance.....                                 | 125 00      |
|   |             | Plumbing.....                                  | 591 95      |
|   |             | Pumps.....                                     | 624 63      |
|   |             | On Account New Building.....                   | 1,600 00    |
|   |             | C. T. Barrett, Material and Labor.....         | 1,494 49    |
|   |             | Standing Grass and Rent of Land.....           | 750 00      |
|   |             | Open Stove Ventilating Co.....                 | 1,023 24    |
|   |             | Rent of 933 Tenth Ave.....                     | 500 00      |
|   |             | Miscellaneous.....                             | 4,016 08    |
|   |             | Printing and Stationery.....                   | 790 30      |
|   |             | Balance in hands of Treasurer.....             | 8,767 30    |
|   |             |  | \$77,661 55 |

The above account has been examined and found correct.

ARCHIBALD TURNER, { *Auditing Committee.*  
W. S. WALLACE, { *Committee.*

# REPORT

OF THE

## Medical Board of the N. Y. Infant Asylum.

To THE BOARD OF MANAGERS:

The medical history of the institution during the past year, though an interesting one, offers no special theme for lengthy comment. With the exception of what threatened to be a severe and extended epidemic of puerperal fever at Sixty-first street, and which by prompt and intelligent measures was speedily suppressed, neither branch has suffered from any of those infectious diseases to which, on account of the nature of the charity, they are particularly liable, and notwithstanding the fact that our sister institutions in this city have been seriously invaded.

Our immunity may be attributed to good fortune, but I think we may reasonably claim credit for extraordinary care and supervision in instances where isolated cases of contagious diseases have appeared.

The many improvements in heating and ventilation which have been effected during the year, and the careful sanitary watch of all arrangements pertaining to the maternity wards, feeding of cows, storage and handling of milk, and the systematic fumigation of all wards and sleeping apartments, has certainly contributed materially to our comfort and health. The Medical Board cannot but express their appreciation of your approval and ready action with respect to all suggestions emanating from them. Very respectfully,

GEORGE B. FOWLER, M. D.,

Secretary.

MEDICAL REPORT  
 OF THE  
 LYING-IN DEPARTMENT  
 OF THE  
 NEW YORK INFANT ASYLUM,  
 FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31st, 1884.

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At the date of the last Annual Report there were in the House of Reception of the N. Y. Infant Asylum, Sixty-first street and Tenth avenue :

|                            |     |
|----------------------------|-----|
| Women for confinement..... | 23  |
| Women with children.....   | 87  |
| Children.....              | 101 |
| Total.....                 | 211 |

Admitted during the year:

|                            |     |
|----------------------------|-----|
| Women for confinement..... | 237 |
| Women with children.....   | 55  |
| Children.....              | 86  |
| Children born.....         | 183 |
| Total.....                 | 561 |

Received from Mount Vernon:

|                            |   |
|----------------------------|---|
| Children for adoption..... | 2 |
|----------------------------|---|

Transferred to Mount Vernon during the year:

|               |     |
|---------------|-----|
| Women.....    | 191 |
| Children..... | 225 |
| Total.....    | 416 |

Discharged during the year:

|               |     |
|---------------|-----|
| Women.....    | 133 |
| Children..... | 49  |
| Adopted.....  | 16  |

|            |     |
|------------|-----|
| Total..... | 198 |
|------------|-----|

Died during the year:

|               |    |
|---------------|----|
| Women.....    | 4  |
| Children..... | 27 |

|            |    |
|------------|----|
| Total..... | 31 |
|------------|----|

## Whole number during the year:

|               |     |
|---------------|-----|
| Women.....    | 402 |
| Children..... | 372 |
| Total.....    | 774 |

## Remaining January 1st, 1885:

|                            |     |
|----------------------------|-----|
| Women for confinement..... | 26  |
| Women with children.....   | 48  |
| Children.....              | 55  |
| Total.....                 | 129 |

## Number of confinements .....

|                     |     |
|---------------------|-----|
| Living births ..... | 192 |
| Twin births.....    | 183 |
| Still births.....   | 1   |
|                     | 10  |

## The causes of death were:

## Women—

|   |   |
|---|---|
| Acute puerperal septicaemia.....            | 1 |
| Erysipelas.....                             | 1 |
| Puerperal peritonitis—pluero-pneumonia..... | 2 |
|   | 4 |

## Children—

|  |   |
|--|---|
| Acute diffuse peritonitis.....                           | 1 |
| Acute diffuse peritonitis—erysipelas of inguinal region. | 1 |
| Acute diffuse peritonitis—general erysipelas.....        | 1 |
| Acute tuberculosis.....                                  | 1 |
| Asthenia .....   | 2 |
| Broncho-pneumonia.....                                   | 1 |
| Capillary bronchitis and pneumonia.....                  | 1 |
| Compression of brain.....                                | 1 |
| Concussion of brain.....                                 | 1 |
| Congenital hydrocephalus—spina bifida.....               | 1 |
| Congenital syphilis.....                                 | 1 |
| Gastro-enteritis .....                                   | 3 |
| Insufficient vitality.....                               | 2 |
| Meningeal hemorrhage.....                                | 5 |
| Pleuro-pneumonia.....                                    | 1 |
| Pneumonia (double).....                                  | 1 |
| Prematurity .....  | 3 |

|            |    |
|------------|----|
| Total..... | 27 |
|------------|----|

## Death rate:

|                      |      |
|----------------------|------|
| Women, per cent..... | 2.08 |
| Children, " .....    | 7.25 |

## Of the children born and admitted, there were:

|              |     |
|--------------|-----|
| Males.....   | 140 |
| Females..... | 131 |

|            |     |
|------------|-----|
| Total..... | 271 |
|------------|-----|

|  |     |
|--|-----|
| Number under six months old when received..... | 239 |
| "    over    "    "    and under one year..... | 12  |
| "    over one year and under two years .....   | 30  |

## Nationality of parents:

|                 | Fathers. | Mothers. |
|-----------------|----------|----------|
| American.....   | 152      | 145      |
| Canadian.....   | 3        | 5        |
| Cuban .....     | 3        | 0        |
| Danish.....     | 1        | 1        |
| English.....    | 15       | 14       |
| French.....     | 3        | 1        |
| German.....     | 43       | 40       |
| Hungarian ..... | 2        | 2        |
| Irish.....      | 35       | 55       |
| Norwegian ..... | 1        | 0        |
| Scotch.....     | 4        | 3        |
| Spanish .....   | 2        | 0        |
| Swedish.....    | 4        | 4        |
| Swiss .....     | 2        | 1        |
| Welsh.....      | 1        | 0        |

Despite the utmost vigilance in the care of our maternities it became evident in January that a septic element was lurking in our wards; the first well-marked case occurring in a patient confined December 30th, who developed puerperal peritonitis twelve days after delivery, which proved fatal January 19th. The maternities were immediately vacated, fumigated, different wards used in rapid succession, and the services of an assistant procured in order that new patients should not be infected by those who had been in attendance upon septic cases. All our efforts were, however, unavailing. Septic complication appeared in greater or less severity in nearly every case, three more terminating fatally; and it was deemed advisable to close our wards temporarily, and transfer the pregnant women to our Country Home. Accordingly, nineteen were sent to Mount Vernon for confinement. The entire building was thoroughly disinfected, and wards reopened February 29th, since which date the convalescence of patients has been satisfactory. A system of more rapid rotation has since been rigidly carried out, no ward being used for lying-in purposes longer than ten days.

With the exception of a case of measles, no disease of a contagious nature has appeared among our children.

This developed in January; the little patient was promptly quarantined, thus fortunately preventing what might have proved a serious epidemic.

To the Medical Board I am indebted for their invaluable advice ; and especially to the attending obstetricians for their untiring zeal and assiduous care of the patients.

Respectfully submitted,

KATE PARKER,

Resident Physician.

MEDICAL REPORT  
OF THE  
MOUNT VERNON BRANCH  
OF THE  
NEW YORK INFANT ASYLUM,  
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31st, 1884.

To THE BOARD OF MANAGERS N. Y. I. A.:

GENTLEMEN: I have the honor to submit the following report:

## STATISTICAL REPORT.

|  |          |         |
|--|----------|---------|
| Number of women in Institution, January 1, 1884..... |          | 64      |
| "      children      "                               | "      " | 129     |
| Total number of inmates,     "      ".....           |          | 193     |
| Number of women received during 1884.....            |          | 255     |
| "      discharged "      ".....                      |          | 141     |
| "      "      remaining December 31, 1884.....       |          | 114     |
| Number of children received during 1884.....         | 225      |         |
| "      "      born      "      ".....                | 19       |         |
|  |          | 244     |
| "      "      discharged "      ".....               | 62       |         |
| "      "      restored "      ".....                 | 38       |         |
| "      "      adopted "      ".....                  | 16       |         |
| "      "      died "      ".....                     | 35       |         |
|  |          | 151     |
| Total number of children remaining Dec. 31, 1884     |          | 222     |
| "      "      inmates     "      "      ".....       |          | 336     |
| CHILDREN INMATES.                                    |          |         |
| Under 1 year..... Boys, 43; Girls, 53                |          |         |
| Between 1 and 2 years..... " 41 " 28                 |          |         |
| " 2 " 3 " ..... " 19 " 10                            |          |         |
| " 3 " 4 " ..... " 13 " 5                             |          |         |
| " 4 " 5 " ..... " 2 " 4                              |          |         |
| " 5 " 10 " ..... " 3 " 1                             |          |         |
| Totals .....   | 121      | 101—222 |

## MORTUARY REPORT.

| DATE.       | No. | CAUSE OF DEATH.  | YRS. | MOS. | DAYS. |
|-------------|-----|--|------|------|-------|
| Mar 11, '84 | 1   | Broncho-pneumonia.....                                 | 8    |      | 16    |
| " 20, "     | 2   | Atelectasis pulmonum.....                              |      |      | 4     |
| " " "       | 3   | Acute hydrocephalus and broncho-<br>pneumonia.....     | 9    |      | 25    |
| " 21, "     | 4   | Broncho-pneumonia.....                                 | 1    | 1    | 25    |
| " 26, "     | 5   | Inanition.....   |      |      | 7     |
| April 6, "  | 6   | Enteritis.....   | 9    |      |       |
| " 10, "     | 7   | " .....  | 9    |      | 12    |
| " 11, "     | 8   | " .....  | 10   |      | 7     |
| " 12, "     | 9   | Acute catarrhal laryngitis.....                        | 5    |      |       |
| " 18, "     | 10  | Enteritis.....   | 1    |      | 21    |
| " 21, "     | 11  | Atelectasis pulmonum and inanition                     | 4    |      |       |
| " 24, "     | 12  | Enteritis.....   | 1    | 7    | 14    |
| May 19, "   | 13  | " .....  | 1    |      | 1     |
| June 6, "   | 14  | Acute pleuritis.....                                   | 1    | 1    | 29    |
| " 8, "      | 15  | " catarrhal laryngitis.....                            | 11   |      | 8     |
| " 28, "     | 16  | Cholera infantum.....                                  | 1    | 5    | 22    |
| July 2, "   | 17  | " " .....  | 5    |      |       |
| " 5, "      | 18  | " " .....  | 1    |      | 3     |
| " 11, "     | 19  | Asphyxia (inspiration of milk).....                    | 10   |      |       |
| " " "       | 20  | Acute bronchitis and broncho-<br>pneumonia.....        | 1    | 1    |       |
| " 13, "     | 21  | Acute bronchitis and edema<br>pulmonum.....            | 1    | 1    | 7     |
| " 14, "     | 22  | Cholera infantum.....                                  | 8    |      | 21    |
| " 31, "     | 23  | Enteritis.....   | 9    |      |       |
| Aug. 5, "   | 24  | Broncho-pneumonia.....                                 | 6    |      |       |
| " 6, "      | 25  | Gastro-enteritis and inanition                         | 9    |      | 21    |
| " 9, "      | 26  | Acute pulmonary congestion, sec.<br>to bronchitis..... | 7    |      |       |
| " 26, "     | 27  | Acute bronchitis and broncho-<br>pneumonia.....        | 4    |      | 10    |
| Oct. 24, "  | 28  | Inanition.....   | 2    |      |       |
| " 26, "     | 29  | " .....  | 2    |      | 10    |
| " " "       | 30  | Enterocolitis.....                                     | 7    |      |       |
| Nov. 3, "   | 31  | Chronic hydrocephalus.....                             | 9    |      | 22    |
| " " "       | 32  | Capillary bronchitis.....                              | 7    |      | 3     |
| " 28, "     | 33  | " " .....  | 1    | 2    | 20    |
| " 29, "     | 34  | Croupous pneumonia.....                                | 1    | 7    | 25    |
| Dec. 19, "  | 35  | Retro-oesophageal abscess.....                         | 5    |      | 21    |

## SUMMARY.

|   |   |
|---|---|
| Atelectasis pulmonum.....                     | 1 |
| " " " and inanition.....                      | 1 |
| Asphyxia.....                                 | 1 |
| Broncho-pneumonia.....                        | 3 |
| Bronchitis, acute, and broncho-pneumonia..... | 2 |
| " " " edema pulmonum.....                     | 2 |
| " capillary.....                              | 2 |

|  |     |
|--|-----|
| Cholera infantum.....                            | 4   |
| Enteritis.....                                   | 7   |
| Entero-colitis.....                              | 1   |
| Gastro-enteritis and inanition.....              | 1   |
| Hydrocephalus, acute, and broncho-pneumonia..... | 1   |
| "    chronic... .                                | 1   |
| Inanition.....                                   | 3   |
| Laryngitis, acute catarrhal.....                 | 2   |
| Pneumonia, croupous.....                         | 1   |
| Pleuritis, acute.....                            | 1   |
| Retro-oesophageal abscess.....                   | 1   |
|  | —35 |

The death rate is 9½ per cent.

Of those who died 68½ per cent. were under 1 year; 31½ per cent.  
over 1 year and under 2 years.

Average age of those who died, 9½ months.

#### DISEASES

#### OCCURRING AMONG INFANTS AND CHILDREN DURING THE YEAR 1884.

##### DISEASES OF INFANCY.

Infantile atrophy.

Hereditary syphilis.

##### DISEASES OF THE NERVOUS SYSTEM.

Chronic hydrocephalus.

Polio-myelitis anterior.

Pavor nocturnus.

##### DISEASES OF RESPIRATORY ORGANS.

Coryza.

Bronchitis, acute and chronic.

Broncho-pneumonia.

##### DISEASES OF CIRCULATORY SYSTEM.

Cyanosis.

Aortic stenosis.

##### DISEASES OF ALIMENTARY TRACT.

Stomatitis, simple and aphthous.

Pharyngitis, acute catarrhal.

Tonsillitis, "

Gastric dyspepsia.

Diarrhoea, simple.

Enteritis, catarrhal.

Enterocolitis.

Prolapsus ani.

Biliary calculi.

Hepatogenous jaundice.

##### DISEASES OF GENITO-URINARY ORGANS.

Renal congestion.

Retention of urine.

Phimosis.

Vaginitis.

Aphthous vulvitis.

## DISEASES OF THE EYE.

Conjunctivitis, acute and sub-acute.  
 " catarrhal.  
 " purulent.  
 " with croupous exudation.  
 Keratitis, simple.  
 Blepharitis.  
 Strabismus.  
 Hordeolum.

## DISEASES OF THE EAR.

Otitis media purulenta.  
 " externa, simple and traumatic.

## DISEASES OF THE SKIN.

Intertrigo.  
 Erythema, simplex.  
 Prurigo.  
 Eczema, capitis, faci et corporis.  
 Herpes labialis.  
 Impetigo.  
 Acne, simplex, pustulata et miliaris.  
 Tinea circinata.  
 Alopecia areata.  
 Subcutaneous abscesses.

## CONTAGIOUS EXANTHEM.

Varicella.

## IN GENERAL.

Umbilical hernia.  
 Suppurative adenitis.

During the month of February, 1884, there were transferred from the Sixty-first street House twenty-three waiting women, four of whom shortly returned, leaving nineteen whose confinements took place between February 19 and March 31.

The first five (5) cases were confined in the new pavilion known as the "Hospital" (and it is worthy of remark, in this connection, that these cases were attended with elevation of temperature and other symptoms of septic infection).

The remaining confinements occurred in the upper ward of cottage four; convalescence in each case being established without interruption.

With the exception of varicella and purulent conjunc-

tivitis, which assumed an epidemic form, this branch has been free from contagious diseases. During May cases of varicella appeared at frequent intervals, and always in wards in the Main House. These wards were fumigated early in June, after the formula prescribed by Dr. A. N. Bell, Sanitarian to the Institution, by burning three pounds of sulphur to each 1,000 cubic feet of space in each ward. No case of varicella has since appeared.

An infant received May 9 developed next day pyrexia, accompanied by eruption on skin, resembling measles.

Quarantine regulations were immediately established and maintained for three weeks. No similar case has been noticed.

Cases of purulent conjunctivitis appeared among the infants and younger children during the first week in September, and soon became general. Dr. Mittendorf was summoned and responded in person. He prescribed forms of treatment, and ascribed the cause of the affection to atmospheric influences. The course and duration of the epidemic were also predicted by Dr. Mittendorf, which prediction was closely fulfilled, as events proved, the severity of the epidemic reaching a maximum about the middle of October, and declining to complete disappearance early in December.

A course of fumigation was begun in the first week of October, separating at the same time those having conjunctivitis from those not so affected, the former class being placed in the hospital, the latter returned to the purified wards.

As will be evident, from an inspection of the mortuary report, the first seventy days of the year are without a death.

Of those occurring up to May 1, '84, on which date my service as resident physician began, there are none, with the exception of enteritis, that may not have been caused by seasonal or individual influences. It was not determined by Drs. Warner and Coggeshall, resident and assistant, that the enteritis was due to any unusual exciting cause.

Of the following twenty-three all but seven resulted

from catarrhal inflammation involving either the respiratory or gastro-intestinal mucous membrane.

In a large measure, seasonal influences, particularly sudden changes in the temperature, or degree of moisture in the air, may be stated as being active in producing these diseases.

On every occasion requiring it, prompt assistance has been rendered by the gentlemen constituting the Board of Visiting and Consulting Physicians to this branch.

Dr. A. T. Weston was appointed Assistant Physician at this branch June 1, 1884, and has been faithful in the discharge of his duties since that date, rendering me most valuable assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

S. AUSTIN DAVIS, M.D.,

Resident Physician.

[Material for the foregoing report prior to May 1, 1884, is furnished by courtesy of Dr. F. M. Warner, then resident physician at this branch.]



"HOUSE OF MATERNITY AND LYING-IN DEPARTMENT,"  
Sixty-first Street and Tenth Avenue, New York City.



ANNUAL REPORT  
OF  
**THE HOUSE COMMITTEE**  
OF THE  
**House of Reception and Lying-in Department**  
OF THE  
**NEW YORK INFANT ASYLUM**  
SIXTY-FIRST STREET AND TENTH AVENUE.

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To the Board of Managers:

The careful and judicious administration of the Maternity and Lying-in Department of such an Institution as the New York Infant Asylum, demands more of time, care and patient endeavor than the ladies who have it in charge have at their command, consistent with other duties and responsibilities.

To labor in such a work as this field is to learn to greatly prize and dearly love it. It is only those who misunderstand it who could hesitate to encourage it.

It is not alone the growing and rapidly-advancing march of our city that makes it incumbent on you now to prepare for the exigencies of the near future, but it is no longer to be ignored that our facilities at the Maternity are not adequate for even our present needs. For two months in the past year our doors have been closed for want of suitable accommodations for those applying, notwithstanding which our total of inmates sheltered has steadily advanced, nearly doubling in the last six years.

This charity is doing noble work. Its mission is sacred, silent, secret, in its effects, and none can know till the all-revealing day a tithe of the good it has wrought. Let me submit one letter from many of the same kind received

from inmates, who have received its shelter and protection :

MY DEAR FRIEND:

Five years ago I was the most unhappy person in existence, and when God in his great mercy sent you to me I never expected to be happy again.

To-day I am as happy as it is possible for any human being to be, for he has sent me a good man who has asked me to be his wife, a man whom I love with my whole heart, and I can ask no greater happiness than this, and when we are made one it will be the effort of my life to be as true to him as it is possible for a woman to be to the man whom she loves. I feel that I must tell you this good news, and feel safe in saying that I know you will be glad to hear this. I am just beginning to live again; my past life seems like some terrible dream to me.

My family are all pleased with my choice, and I am so strangely happy. I would like to hear from you when you have leisure. Do you think I do right in accepting this great happiness? He knows the past, *all* of it, and takes me as I am.

I hope you are in good health. My dear friend, let me thank you again for all your many kindnesses to me. They shall never be forgotten by me.

It seems almost incredible when I look back on the past and see how safely God has brought me through all my troubles into a state of happiness, and now God bless you  
is the prayer of

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Two things are uppermost in my mind as to the future of this Institution. The first I have alluded to, namely, the providing more room and facilities in this branch, and the second, how best to enlist a larger number of philanthropic women in this city in its beneficent ministrations of mercy. Both are in my judgment of equal importance for your early consideration.

The bi-monthly reports made to you during the year

furnish you with details of our household not necessary to be reviewed here.

No change has been made with the staff of officers, excepting the addition of an assistant physician, which has been of value to us.

The labors of the house are performed as ever by the inmates, and a very large number of garments made—in all 4,299. We are also indebted to the ladies' committees for 84 sheets, 50 pillow cases and 34 babies slips.

Mr. C. T. Woodruff has been untiring in his ministerial attendance, for which he is entitled to your thanks.

Very respectfully submitted,

HELENE S. BELL,  
Chairman House Committee.

January 20.

## ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

# Ladies' Committee of the Mount Vernon Home.

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Another year brings us again face to face with the old, old story of woman's faith betrayed, her trust dishonored, and with the problem of how these wrongs shall be met and how the outcast shall be rescued from entire wreck.

Next, the most blessed work of all, what shall be done with the little souls on whom comes the life-long burden of inherited sin and shame.

The needs keep pace with the work, and all the humanity within us cries out afresh, when these helpless hands are stretched out, and these young eyes look into ours, which are, alas! saddened as we look forward with troubled misgivings to their future life.

The present prosperity of the Mount Vernon Asylum is entitled to more than a simple statement of every-day fact and a dry array of figures.

Within its walls, sheltered from the fearful retribution that follows sin, are beating hearts that are daily responding more and more to the influences of quiet order and the gentle morality that are the breath of the place, and these wayward ones, who, perhaps, have never known the comfort of regular living, of wholesome food, of soft words and patient forbearance, are daily receiving lessons in a new language, and to them an unknown tongue—perhaps awakening a desire for a better life and a strength to keep them from again falling victims by the way.

In going through the sunny wards and studying the faces of the inmates, each tells its own sad story, and the earnest eye cannot fail to read the secret history that has

"THE HOSPITAL," MOUNT VERNON, N. Y.





brought the outcast to seek a refuge here. Even here, where a common misfortune has brought all to one level, there are degrees and shadings, as in all groupings, where human beings are thrown together in one community. The modest girl still blushes as she bends over her innocent babe ; the bright face yet looks with a hopeful gaze into the future ; there is the pitiful look of despair and the brazen glance from a hardened heart. All are here, and as you look from mother to child you can only say, "may God pity where man has forgotten."

The possibilities contained in a tiny acorn have passed into a proverb, but the miracle is yearly repeated, and the little seed becomes the giant tree—a shelter for the homeless birds of the air and the weary pilgrim of the soil.

So the sunlight of God has rested on our Home, and though clouds have gathered over our heads, the storms have unharmed us, for our roots are planted deep. And if in our work some poor crushed hope is revived, some falling feet lifted from despair, some bruised heart healed, we will take heart of grace and urge forward our labors in this work.

We have also great encouragement in the religious interest developing in the Asylum. The women gladly attend the daily prayers, and their faces glow with a new-found pleasure as they join in the evening service of song and praise.

The services of the clergymen—Rev. C. Clearwater, Rev. Dr. Hiscox, Rev. George Crook, Rev. Mr. Coffey and Rev. Mr. Olmsted—we again gratefully acknowledge, and we trust they will have an ever present reward in their labor of love.

There has also been a Kindergarten school established for the little children, and the efficiency of their teacher will prepare them somewhat for the homes to which they may be sent.

To those of our friends who have helped in making a holiday season of Thanksgiving and Christmas, we return our grateful thanks, and only wish all could have seen the

happy and comfortable faces of our little ones as they enjoyed the unwonted festivals.

We are also gratefully indebted for clothing given. The inmates have themselves made and repaired over six thousand garments.

Another cottage has been added to our buildings, fitted with every sanitary improvement.

The resignation of our matron, who had been with us nine years, left a blank difficult to fill. But we have been fortunate in securing our present matron, who is fulfilling her duties in a faithful and Christian spirit.

It is a pretty conceit of the poet, that centuries ago the fern leaf grew in a valley, hidden by grass and moss, and waving in the low wind, followed the sunbeams that darted about it. Was the tiny plant useless, lost? The thoughtful man, searching nature's secret from a fissure in the rock, found a stone on which there ran fairy pencilings—a quaint design :

“Leafage, veining, flowers clear and fine,  
And the fern's life lay in every line;  
So I think God hides some lives away,  
Sweetly to surprise us, the last day.”

MARTHA A. BATES,  
Chairman Home Committee.

ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
**Committee on Adoption of the New York Infant Asylum,**  
FOR THE  
**YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1884.**

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To THE BOARD OF MANAGERS  
N. Y. INFANT ASYLUM:

GENTLEMEN : The Committee on Adoption begs leave to report, that during the year 1884 there were thirty-two (32) children adopted by the Committee, in good homes, we trust. One of the children has been returned to the Institution owing to the insanity of its adopted father.

The Committee makes a thorough investigation into all applications for the adoption of children, and will not adopt a child out unless entirely satisfied that the applicants are the proper parties to care for a child and give it a good home.

The Committee is in receipt of letters of the most satisfactory nature from those who have adopted children.

Respectfully submitted,

THOS. CHALMERS,  
Secretary Adoption Committee.

## DONATIONS FOR THE YEAR 1884.

|   |          |                           |          |
|---|----------|---------------------------|----------|
| Frank Beaur.....                            | \$100 00 | Mrs. K. A. Noel.....      | \$134 00 |
| Thomas Hegeman.....                         | 5 00     | " A. Lowell.....          | 70 00    |
| Mrs. M. Ewart .....                         | 5 00     | " L. Bakerson.....        | 125 00   |
| " L. Baelsbach.....                         | 8 00     | " M. Dewey.....           | 20 00    |
| " C. Kone.....                              | 10 00    | " H. Smith.....           | 30 00    |
| " M. Whitten.....                           | 33 00    | " F. Cocklin.....         | 5 00     |
| " M. White.....                             | 10 00    | " C. Smith.....           | 45 00    |
| " J. Rhodes.....                            | 90 00    | " A. Kayseler.....        | 10 00    |
| " F. Brown.....                             | 15 00    | " C. Baskoline.....       | 10 00    |
| " Brown.....                                | 25 00    | " E. Rathbone.....        | 100 00   |
| " L. Adams.....                             | 3 00     | Mr. E. Smith.....         | 50 00    |
| " E. Delgor.....                            | 20 00    | " M. Nelson.....          | 5 00     |
| " C. Basseltine.....                        | 10 00    | " F. Bush.....            | 50 00    |
| " L. Basseltine.....                        | 16 00    | " A. Monken.....          | 35 00    |
| " F. Schmidt.....                           | 28 50    | " J. Apgar.....           | 150 00   |
| " R. Geuder.....                            | 20 00    | " M. Roth.....            | 34 00    |
| Mr. White.....                              | 35 00    | " M. Graham.....          | 226 00   |
| Through August Ebelt...                     | 20 51    | " A. Short.....           | 10 00    |
| Anonymous, through Mrs. Helene S. Bell..... | 200 00   | Mrs. D. Harris.....       | 10 00    |
| Kate Grady.....                             | 40 00    | " H. N. Moor.....         | 149 00   |
| Mr. White .....                             | 30 00    | " M. Thompson.....        | 53 00    |
| " C. Baskoline.....                         | 10 00    | " S. Taylor.....          | 180 00   |
| " L. Babcock.....                           | 8 00     | Mr. Griffen Van Cott..... | 10 00    |
| " M. Solon .....                            | 20 00    | Mrs. L. Roesenger.....    | 10 00    |
| " C. Baskoline.....                         | 10 00    | " J. Brower.....          | 10 00    |
| " B. Dereuge.....                           | 15 00    | " M. Ryan.....            | 10 00    |
| " E. Pazee.....                             | 15 00    | " K. Hassett.....         | 20 00    |
| " E. Smith.....                             | 11 00    | " C. Halter.....          | 100 00   |
| " Keney.....                                | 14 00    | " R. F. Tyson.....        | 10 00    |
| " M. White .....                            | 125 00   | Through August Ebelt...   | 30 00    |
| Mrs. K. Halsey.....                         | 135 00   | Mr. E. Duncan Sniffen..   | 50 00    |

## THANKSGIVING AND CHRISTMAS DONATIONS.

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| Mrs. Geo. N. Curtiss..... | \$10 00 | Mrs. James Talcott..... | \$5 00 |
| " Wm. S. Wallace....      | 5 00    | Friend of the Poor..... | 2 00   |
| " John H. Washburne.      | 3 00    | Mr. E. A. Quintard..... | 5 00   |
| " A. B. Darling.....      | 15 00   | " Thomas Chalmers...    | 5 00   |
| Mr. B. W. Van Voorhis..   | 10 00   | Mrs. C. C. Gilman.....  | 5 00   |
| " Geo. H. Clark.....      | 10 00   | Mr. P. E. Sandford..... | 10 00  |
| Baby "Lilian".....        | 5 00    | Mrs. James Grannis..... | 5 00   |
| K. U.....                 | 5 00    | Mr. J. W. B. McNary.... | 10 00  |
| Mrs. Julia Lee Sims.....  | 20 00   | Primary Class Bethany   |        |
| " J. S. Case .....        | 2 00    | Sunday-school .....     | 50 00  |
| " Eimer & Amend.....      | 10 00   |                         |        |

## EASTER DONATIONS.

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| Flowers from Mrs. S. A. Main. | Flowers from Mrs. Josiah Belden.  |
| " " " J. Alex. Striker.       | " " Mr. Clark Bell.               |
| " " " W. S. Wallace.          | 35 doz. eggs from Park & Tilford. |
| " " " A. B. Darling.          |                                   |

## ANNUAL DONATIONS.

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|------------------------|---------|-----------------------|--------|
| Mrs. J. J. Astor.....  | \$20 00 | Mrs. David Watts..... | \$5 00 |
| " Nathan'l Fisher..... | 10 00   | " Wm. S. Wallace....  | 5 00   |
| " D. A. Hawkins.....   | 5 00    | " Wm. L. Skidmore...  | 10 00  |
| " George N. Curtiss... | 5 00    | " S. A. Main.....     | 5 00   |
| " A. B. Darling.....   | 5 00    | " B. W. Van Voorhis.. | 10 00  |
| " Jacob Hayes.....     | 5 00    | " S. A. Clark.....    | 5 00   |
| " Henry Knickerbacker. | 5 00    | " Wm. Isham.....      | 5 00   |

## DONATION LIST FOR 1884.

(Mount Vernon Home.)

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| From Mr. Emmeluth:  | Mary Graham:  |
| Turkey, celery, cranberries and<br>lettuce.                                     | 2 shirts.<br>2 pairs stockings.<br>Sun-bonnet, cap, dress and<br>shoes.                             |
| Mrs. Bates: Turkey.   | June 10.—Mrs. J. A. Striker:<br>1 doz. aprons.  |
| Ladies' Sewing Society:   | June 10.—Helena S. Chalmers:<br>1 doll.   |
| 14 flannel shirts.<br>20 red dresses.<br>10 white aprons.<br>11 flannel skirts. | June 16.—Mrs. L. M. Bates:<br>1 red flannel dress.  |
| May 6th.—Sewing Society:  | June 24.—Doliber, Goodale & Co.,<br>(Central Wharf, Boston):<br>3 doz. Mellin's Food.               |
| 2 crib sheets.<br>6 white aprons.   | June—Nellie Smith:<br>1 dress.  |
| Mrs. L. Myer: 2 Toys.   | July—August Ebelt (farmer):<br>\$5.78 worth fireworks.  |
| Mary Lincon: Cakes and candies.   | Mrs. Ebelt:<br>1 pair socks.<br>Two yds. satin ribbon.  |
| Agnes Clark: Cakes, candies and<br>crackers.                                    | Geitruede Bogert:<br>2 dresses.<br>2 collars.<br>2 aprons.<br>2 pairs stockings.<br>1 Hat and doll. |
| Mrs. L. Smith:<br>Cakes and doll.   | Dr. A. N. Bell:<br>Religious paper(several times).  |
| Mr. Smith (fisherman):<br>Lobster and shad.                                     | A Friend:<br>4 dresses.<br>2 shirts.  |
| August Ebelt (farmer):<br>2 qts. ice cream.                                     |   |
| Mr. Smith:<br>Lobster.  |   |
| Mrs. Freeman (N. Y.):<br>4 flannel skirts.                                      |   |
| May 24th.—Mr. Thos. Whittaker:<br>Wall texts.                                   |   |
| May 24th.—James Pott & Co:<br>50 prayer-books.                                  |   |
| Mrs. Murray:<br>$\frac{1}{2}$ doz. bananas.                                     |   |

1 petticoat.  
 1 pinning blanket.  
 1 crib blanket.  
 2 vests.  
 3 pairs stockings.  
 2 aprons.  
 1 dress.  
 Quantity under-clothes.  
 Package of papers.

August.—Mrs. Amzi Cook (Brooklyn):  
 Three and-a-half years' Harper's Magazine.  
 Package of religious and foreign papers.

Nov.—Mr. C. W. Barnard:  
 5 pounds tea.

Nov.—Mrs. J. A. Striker:  
 Box asst. buttons.

Thanksgiving.—Mr. W. Emmeluth:  
 Turkey, celery and cranberries.

Christmas.—Mr. W. Emmeluth:  
 Turkey, celery, cranberries, and 36 lbs. mixed and toy candies.

Christmas.—Mr. Dearborn:  
 200 oranges.

Christmas.—Mr. F. K. Keller (664 6th Ave., N. Y. C.):  
 Turkey, oranges and apples.

Christmas.—Mr. W. S. Smith (fisherman):  
 100 box oysters, 2 qts. stewing oysters.

Christmas.—August Ebelt (farmer):  
 1 crate cranberries.

Christmas.—Maggie McNeigligan:  
 Large fruit cake.

Christmas.—Mr. Mott:  
 Sleighride to officers.

Christmas.—Mrs. Neilson:  
 1 doz. infants' hoods.  
 ½ doz. infants' robes.

Mrs. Clareise Day:  
 2 suits of boys' clothes.

Mr. W. S. Smith:  
 ½ gallon pickled oysters.

Gordon, Son & Co.:  
 25 quarts oysters.

Clark Bell:  
 Journals for Medical Staff.

Mrs. J. A. Striker: 1 turkey.  
 " A. P. M. Roome: 1 turkey.  
 " S. A. Main: 1 turkey.  
 " L. M. Bates: 1 turkey.

Dr. Wm. N. Blakeman: 1 turkey.

Mr. J. A. Fisher: 25 lbs. candy.

## DONATIONS—SIXTY-FIRST STREET BRANCH.

### THANKSGIVING DONATIONS.

1 turkey, J. Thomas; 2 barrels apples from Mrs. A. B. Darling.  
 1 turkey from Mrs. Josiah Belden.  
 2 turkeys, Messrs. Weatherby & Hawk.  
 1 turkey, 1 pair chickens, Mrs. Henry Knickerbacker.  
 2 turkeys from Mrs. Jacob Hays.  
 5 turkeys from Ambler Brothers.  
 3 turkeys from McManus & Lock.  
 14 quarts ice cream from Mrs. Clark Bell.

5 quarts of cranberries, P. Nehbeass & Co.  
 6 mince pies, 6 dozen crullers, 5 nightdresses, Mrs. Alvin Walker.  
 1 box oranges, 1 box grapes, 3 boxes fancy crackers, Park & Tilford.  
 6 turkeys from J. Steigerwald.  
 1 turkey from Mrs. Nathan Ely.  
 1 turkey from Mrs. Emmet Edgerton.

### CHRISTMAS AND GENERAL DONATIONS.

30 mince pies from Mrs. Henry Knickerbacker.  
 4 turkeys from McManus & Lock.  
 4 turkeys from J. Steigerwald.

1 box oranges, 1 barrel sugar, 2 boxes fancy cakes, Park & Tilford.  
 2 wax dolls from Helena S. Chalmers

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| 48 Japanese buckets from Roy Chalmers.                                 | Bundle old linen, Mrs. Alvin Walker.  |
| 5 white velvet cloaks, 100 Christmas cards, 6 dolls, Best & Co.        | Parcel old linen, Mrs. Robert Pettigrew.  |
| Books and toys from Bryan and Willie Sherrit.                          | 2 woolen shawls. Mrs. Clark Bell. Children's clothing, Mrs. Howard. 1 dress, 1 hat, I. C. |
| 12 woolen scarfs from Mrs. Cosmore.                                    | Mrs. Jacob Hays, \$1 for an inmate.   |
| 2 dozen knives from Mrs. A. B. Darling.                                | Large bundle children's clothing, Mrs. Hermon Hoag.                                       |
| Bundle linen from Mrs. H. Knickerbacker.                               | 6 boxes disinfectant, Anonymous.  |
| 2 turkeys, 2 chickens, from Ambler Brothers.                           | 12 barrels apples, Mount Vernon Home.   |
| Large bundle old linen, 2 night dresses, 2 skirts, Mrs. A. B. Darling. | Clark Bell, Esq.: Journals for Medical Staff.   |
| Bible Texts, by Thos. Whittaker.                                       | 1 barrel flour, Fred. W. Smith and Henry C. Ely.  |
| 20 lbs. candy from Joel Fisher.  | 1 ham, Mrs. A. B. Darling.  |

## DONATIONS RECEIVED THROUGH MR. L. M. BATES.

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| Acker, Merrall & Condit     | \$10 00 | Cash.....                          | \$5 00 |
| Barbour Bros                | 50 00   | Guinn & Day.....                   | 5 00   |
| Geo. A. Clark               | 50 00   | Pulsiver.....                      | 5 00   |
| W. L. Strong                | 25 00   | E Bowers.....                      | 5 00   |
| Adams Ex. Co                | 25 00   | Prince & Whitely.....              | 5 00   |
| Iselin, Neeser & Co         | 50 00   | A. M. Clyde.....                   | 10 00  |
| A. D. Juilliard             | 50 00   | D. W. Drake.....                   | 1 00   |
| Passavant & Co              | 25 00   | C. A. Poole.....                   | 5 00   |
| F. Butterfield              | 50 00   | H. L. Horton.....                  | 5 00   |
| W. H. De Forest             | 25 00   | C. F. A. Heinrichs.....            | 10 00  |
| E. Oelberman                | 25 00   | Kuhnhart Bros.....                 | 10 00  |
| R. G. Dun & Co              | 25 00   | Eppins, Smith & Co.....            | 25 00  |
| S. Burkblater               | 20 00   | J. Russak.....                     | 10 00  |
| Drexel, Morgan & Co         | 25 00   | J. Lagowitz.....                   | 5 00   |
| R. J. Cortes & Co           | 25 00   | Perkins, Goodwin & Co.....         | 5 00   |
| C. A. Auffmordt & Co        | 25 00   | Holbrook & Co.....                 | 10 00  |
| Morton, Bliss & Co          | 50 00   | Cash.....                          | 10 00  |
| Fritzche & Bro              | 10 00   | Hoyt Bros.....                     | 25 00  |
| Cash.....                   | 10 00   | Eastman, Bigelow, Dayton & Co..... | 5 00   |
| "                           | 5 00    | Hammerslough Bros.....             | 10 00  |
| "                           | 5 00    | Butler & Co.....                   | 10 00  |
| F. Kursheedt & Co           | 10 00   | Lieberoth, Vonheim & Co ..         | 5 00   |
| O. A. D.....                | 10 00   | O. Vumhall.....                    | 5 00   |
| St. John Kirkham            | 10 00   | Hazard & Co.....                   | 5 00   |
| Transatlantic Fire Ins. Co. | 5 00    | Wheeler & Co.....                  | 25 00  |
| C. P. Huntington            | 25 00   | H. Knickerbacker.....              | 25 00  |
| C. Von Hoffman              | 10 00   | Chas. Garlick.....                 | 5 00   |
| Delmonico                   | 20 00   | R. & S. Smith.....                 | 5 00   |
| J. H. Lane & Co             | 5 00    | Kimball & Howard.....              | 10 00  |
| Cash.....                   | 5 00    | E. D. Armend.....                  | 10 00  |
| Old Dominion S. S. Co       | 10 00   | Houinghous & Curtiss.....          | 10 00  |
| S. H. Seaman                | 25 00   |                                    |        |

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| Tower M'f'g Co.....                   | \$10 00 | Cash .....                 | \$5 00 |
| Russell & Irwin M'f'g Co...           | 10 00   | W. H. Tillingast.....      | 5 00   |
| Sawyer, Wallace & Co.....             | 10 00   | A. P. Rockwell .....       | 2 00   |
| James McCreery.....                   | 5 00    | Hendricks & Bro .....      | 5 00   |
| J. W. Dodsworth.....                  | 15 00   | Cash .....                 | 5 00   |
| A. Friend.....                        | 5 00    | Cash .....                 | 2 00   |
| Woodworth & Stillman.....             | 10 00   | Western & Debillier.....   | 5 00   |
| H. J. Hubbard.....                    | 10 00   | B. F. & E.....             | 5 00   |
| Caswell, Hazard & Co.....             | 5 00    | Haus, Rees & Sons.....     | 5 00   |
| Stymus & Co.....                      | 15 00   | G. B. Horton.....          | 5 00   |
| Adams & Bishop.....                   | 5 00    | Chas. H. Meade.....        | 5 00   |
| D. H. McAlpin.....                    | 25 00   | Cash .....                 | 20 00  |
| D. A. Sharlin & Co.....               | 5 00    | A. P. Frost .....          | 2 00   |
| W. F. H.....                          | 10 00   | E. Schumacker .....        | 5 00   |
| Cash.....                             | 10 00   | John Slade & Co.....       | 5 00   |
| A. Fink.....                          | 10 00   | Cook & Bernheimer.....     | 10 00  |
| C. Doline.....                        | 2 00    | Maas & Walstein .....      | 5 00   |
| John Booth.....                       | 10 00   | S. D. Babcock.....         | 5 00   |
| Ingersoll Rock Drill Co.....          | 10 00   | Cash .....                 | 5 00   |
| Rand Drill Co.....                    | 5 00    | Huntnig & Hammond.....     | 5 00   |
| Heavench & Hirshburg.....             | 5 00    | Marks Bros. & Co.....      | 5 00   |
| Hadden & Co.....                      | 5 00    | W. H. Pray.....            | 1 00   |
| R. J. Dodge.....                      | 5 00    | Alex. Murphy & Co.....     | 5 00   |
| Perkins & Welsh.....                  | 5 00    | Knoop, Frerichs & Co.....  | 5 00   |
| Brighton Mills .....                  | 5 00    | J. D. N.....               | 5 00   |
| Cash.....                             | 2 00    | O. P. and O. N.....        | 10 00  |
| " .....                               | 2 00    | Geo. Silva .....           | 5 00   |
| Dominick & Haff .....                 | 5 00    | H. E. Moss .....           | 2 00   |
| Fifth Ave. Hotel.....                 | 10 00   | A. Fraser .....            | 10 00  |
| A. M. & Co.....                       | 25 00   | Kuhn, Loeb & Co.....       | 10 00  |
| Lewis Bros. & Co.....                 | 25 00   | L. S. Lawrence & Co.....   | 5 00   |
| J. Scriber.....                       | 2 00    | H. R. and G. A. Banks..... | 5 00   |
| Oelrich & Co.....                     | 10 00   | Williams, Black & Co.....  | 10 00  |
| Lewishon & Co.....                    | 5 00    | Koch's Sons & Co.....      | 10 00  |
| Scott & Co.....                       | 25 00   | Armour Plankinton.....     | 10 00  |
| Converse, Stanton & Davis..           | 5 00    | Cash .....                 | 5 00   |
| F. De Bary.....                       | 5 00    | S. T. Golden .....         | 10 00  |
| Cash .....                            | 2 00    | Geo. Siluen.....           | 10 00  |
| J. J. Brunner .....                   | 2 00    | U. S. Ex. Co.....          | 10 00  |
| Rabit & Moses.....                    | 2 00    | American Ex. Co.....       | 10 00  |
| A. Isaacs & Co.....                   | 5 00    | H. D. Haven .....          | 5 00   |
| H. L. Hoquet.....                     | 5 00    | M. Ponce D. Leon .....     | 2 00   |
| M. J. Graham.....                     | 2 00    | Ed. Cooper .....           | 50 00  |
| Cyrus W. Field.....                   | 5 00    | Cash .....                 | 5 00   |
| Wm. Maas & Co.....                    | 5 00    | Holtz & Koenecke .....     | 10 00  |
| F. Le Boulanger.....                  | 2 00    | Hills Bros.....            | 5 00   |
| Adams Ex. Co., per Dins-<br>more..... | 20 00   | J. H. Koenecke .....       | 10 00  |
| J. R. Bartlett.....                   | 5 00    | R. H. Allen .....          | 5 00   |
| Jno. H. James.....                    | 5 00    | H. W. Spear .....          | 10 00  |
| John Burk.....                        | 5 00    | Lloyd Aspinwall.....       | 50 00  |
| Geisenheimer & Co.....                | 5 00    | Cash .....                 | 5 00   |
| J. M. Agumber & Co.....               | 5 00    | Eaton, Cole & Burnham..... | 5 00   |
| Thos. J. Pope & Co.....               | 10 00   | Walker, Gonoga & Co.....   | 10 00  |
| G. M. Van Olindo.....                 | 2 00    | Gilman Bros. & Co.....     | 5 00   |
| Cash .....                            | 5 00    | C. Woodbridge.....         | 5 00   |
|                                       |         | Louis De Jouge & Co.....   | 5 00   |

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| Stephens & Voisen.....     | \$5 00 | John Patterson.....          | \$10 00 |
| C. H. Mallory.....         | 25 00  | Scott Bros. & Co.....        | 5 00    |
| Halgarten & Co.....        | 5 00   | C. M. Von Beaur.....         | 5 00    |
| Lord & Taylor.....         | 10 00  | Berrie & Co.....             | 10 00   |
| Ramsey Crooks.....         | 5 00   | C. L. H. Hudson.....         | 5 00    |
| Hirsch, Freedman & Co..... | 5 00   | Stern Bros.....              | 10 00   |
| Munnself, Rolla & Co.....  | 5 00   | W. S. Morris.....            | 5 00    |
| Seager Bros.....           | 5 00   | Cash.....                    | 5 00    |
| Liententhal Co.....        | 2 00   | Kaufman Bros. & Bondy.....   | 5 00    |
| Mitchell & Kingsley.....   | 5 00   | Field, Chapman & Fenner..    | 5 00    |
| Cavanah & Sons.....        | 2 00   | Soutter & Co.....            | 10 00   |
| J. W. Quintard & Sons..... | 10 00  | Ehrich Bros.....             | 5 00    |
| S. H. Mills.....           | 5 00   | Kenney Babcock.....          | 5 00    |
| Oswall, Jackson & Bro..... | 5 00   | Fairbanks & Co.....          | 5 00    |
| Londheim, Alsberg & Bro..  | 2 00   | C. J. Turner & Co .....      | 5 00    |
| Cash.....                  | 5 00   | H. P. Galand.....            | 5 00    |
| Cash.....                  | 5 00   | Lawrence, Smith & Co.....    | 5 00    |
| Kepler & Co.....           | 10 00  | J. H. Brown & Co.....        | 10 00   |
| Simpson, Spence & Young..  | 10 00  | D. D. Vaile.....             | 5 00    |
| Openhymer & Co.....        | 5 00   | G. K. Sistare & Sons.....    | 5 00    |
| Naylor & Co.....           | 5 00   | G. F. Peabody.....           | 5 00    |
| Horace R. Kelly & Co.....  | 5 00   | A. M. Bull.....              | 5 00    |
| Isaac Steigenwald.....     | 35 00  | M. E. De Rivas & Co.....     | 5 00    |
| Schultz & Buckgaber.....   | 10 00  | Groesbach & Schley.....      | 5 00    |
| Speyer & Co.....           | 5 00   | A. Pettigrew & Co.....       | 10 00   |
| Plock & Co.....            | 10 00  | Mills & Smith.....           | 5 00    |
| A. & F. Brown.....         | 5 00   | S. W. Silverston & Sons..... | 5 00    |
| J. W. Wappermann & Co..    | 2 00   | H. Herman, Steinbach & Co.   | 10 00   |
| W. A. Pulman.....          | 5 00   | Geo. Richards.....           | 3 00    |
| Cash.....                  | 5 00   | Cahoon & Westcott.....       | 2 00    |
| Geo. H. Fish.....          | 5 00   | M. W. Howland.....           | 3 00    |
| Warren Ward.....           | 5 00   | Roosevelt & Boughton .....   | 4 00    |
| Herter Bros.....           | 5 00   | C. Schumacker & Co.....      | 5 00    |
| W. Hayes.....              | 5 00   | Sam'l W. Wood & Co.....      | 5 00    |
| R. H. Macy & Co.....       | 10 00  | O. D. Baldwin & Co.....      | 5 00    |
| E. A. Bird.....            | 5 00   | S. B. Wheeler & Co.....      | 50 00   |
| Kell & Co.....             | 5 00   | J. D. Gould.....             | 5 00    |
| F. Haub.....               | 2 00   | Humphrey & Bean.....         | 5 00    |
| H. A. Porter.....          | 5 00   | Coudert Bros.....            | 5 00    |
| C. A. Souter, Jr.....      | 5 00   | Theo. Tiedman & Co.....      | 2 00    |
| H. E. Bowers.....          | 25 00  | Ogden & Wallace.....         | 5 00    |
| O. A. Gager & Co.....      | 5 00   | Niagara Fire Ins. Co.....    | 5 00    |
| H. McK. Twombly.....       | 10 00  | Cash .....                   | 2 00    |
| Kuntz Bros. & Co.....      | 10 00  | Nowell & Co .....            | 5 00    |
| W. K. Everdale.....        | 2 00   | A. S. Southard, Priest & Co. | 5 00    |
| J. Dwight .....            | 10 00  | Steigenwald & Bros.....      | 25 00   |
| J. H. Henning.....         | 5 00   | Cash.....                    | 1 00    |
| John Monroe & Co.....      | 5 00   | “ .....                      | 2 00    |
| A. Stoddard .....          | 5 00   | Kobler.....                  | 1 00    |
| John E. Devlin.....        | 5 00   | D. S. & Co.....              | 1 00    |
| Jos. J. O'Donohue.....     | 10 00  | Jos Fields.....              | 5 00    |
| Solomon & Co.....          | 5 00   | G. W. Demarest & Sons ..     | 1 00    |
| A Friend.....              | 10 00  | Cash .....                   | 10 00   |
| Gridley & Co.....          | 5 00   | L. Dryfoos & Co.....         | 5 00    |
| E. Fabor.....              | 5 00   | W. H. De Forest .....        | 25 00   |
| A. Herzig.....             | 5 00   | Ludwig & Co.....             | 5 00    |

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| Cash .....                 | \$5 00 | E. Blydenberg.....            | \$1 00 |
| Morrison & Co.....         | 1 00   | H. W. & Co.....               | 2 00   |
| W. H. Shiffer & Co.....    | 5 00   | A. Gross & Richards.....      | 5 00   |
| Cash.....                  | 20 00  | Bradley & Currier.....        | 10 00  |
| J. W. Meyers & Son.....    | 3 00   | J. W. Quintard, Jr.....       | 10 00  |
| Asher & Co.....            | 2 00   | S. Jacoby.....                | 5 00   |
| B. Altman & Bro.....       | 2 00   | W. N. Patterson.....          | 2 00   |
| F. H. Kenny.....           | 2 00   | Atterbury & Co.....           | 5 00   |
| W. D. & Co.....            | 5 00   | Conkling & Chivis.....        | 5 00   |
| Geo. Hazeltine & Co.....   | 2 00   | Douglas & Brown.....          | 2 00   |
| John Dun.....              | 5 00   | Peyser Nephews.....           | 5 00   |
| Cash.....                  | 3 00   | Donaldson & Diekerman.....    | 5 00   |
| A. Randolph.....           | 1 00   | McKensie, Chase & Co .....    | 5 00   |
| Cowlishan, Nichol & Co.... | 5 00   | A. S. & A. N. Dickerson ..... | 5 00   |
| The Printch Lt'g Co.....   | 2 00   | Cash.....                     | 10 00  |
| S. M. Dodge.....           | 10 00  | G. H. Robinson.....           | 10 00  |
| A. H. Mann.....            | 2 00   | Perkins, Goodwin & Co.....    | 10 00  |
| Smith & Vanderbeck.....    | 10 00  | Frank E. Rogers.....          | 5 00   |
| J. R. Telfair.....         | 5 00   | E. W. Browning.....           | 5 00   |
| L. W. Warner .....         | 5 00   | F. Achiles.....               | 10 00  |
| M. Cullen.....             | 5 00   | Hausman Rittenberg.....       | 2 00   |
| Cash.....                  | 5 00   | Frank & Co.....               | 5 00   |
| J. A. Bostwick.....        | 50 00  | Hart & Lindgens.....          | 10 00  |
| J. M. Toll.....            | 5 00   | Cash .....                    | 2 00   |
| H. M. Flagler.....         | 50 00  | Mrs. Frank Leslie.....        | 5 00   |
| Seymour, Baker & Co.....   | 10 00  | Geo. P. Baurer.....           | 5 00   |
| H. H. Gorringe.....        | 5 00   | Henry Block & Co.....         | 5 00   |
| O. W. Warring.....         | 2 00   | N. J. Hayden.....             | 10 00  |
| J. H. Prall.....           | 5 00   | J. H. Rutter .....            | 10 00  |
| L. Kahn & Co.....          | 5 00   | C. N. Bissell.....            | 5 00   |
| Chas. Garlichs & Co.....   | 5 00   | W. P. Chambers.....           | 10 00  |
| A. D. Strouss & Co.....    | 5 00   | A. A. & Co.....               | 5 00   |
| Cash.....                  | 1 00   | Lewis Fitzgerald .....        | 5 00   |
| " .....                    | 15 00  | Kissam & Randolph.....        | 5 00   |
| Mayer, Lane & Co.....      | 3 00   | Strand, Sibbald & Co.....     | 10 00  |
| J. Lichtenstein & Co.....  | 2 00   | Garner & Co .....             | 10 00  |
| C. B. Keogh.....           | 3 00   | G. H. Prey.....               | 2 00   |
| J. B. Coogan.....          | 10 00  | F. C. Hart.....               | 5 00   |
| Peter Schneider & Co ..... | 5 00   | E. A. Brown.....              | 2 00   |
| Strickney Coal Co.....     | 5 00   | Anderson, Easton & Co.....    | 5 00   |
| L'vy, Dryfoos & Co.....    | 5 00   | Lysle & Smith.....            | 2 00   |
| J. J. Waterbury.....       | 2 00   | J. E. Gates.....              | 10 00  |
| Otto G. Gross.....         | 2 00   | P. Huntington & Co.....       | 10 00  |
| Robins & Robinson.....     | 5 00   | Thompson & Richard .....      | 5 00   |
| J. Enuis.....              | 2 00   | Chas. Hubbs.....              | 5 00   |
| Smith & Stephens.....      | 2 00   | C. A. Warren.....             | 2 00   |
| John Hammond.....          | 2 00   | Herter & Mertz.....           | 2 00   |
| Sea Board Bank.....        | 5 00   | Black, Robbins & Co.....      | 5 00   |
| Jos. Tobin.....            | 5 00   | M. S. Richards.....           | 2 00   |
| E. W. Adams.....           | 5 00   | C. F. Mead.....               | 5 00   |
| McKay & Dix.....           | 5 00   | Morgan & Bartlett.....        | 2 00   |
| Degraw, Aymar & Co.....    | 2 00   | Herman Boker & Co .....       | 5 00   |
| L. C. Gillispie & Co.....  | 2 00   | Bowen, Pettigrew & Co.....    | 10 00  |
| E. W. Crawford.....        | 2 00   | H. Marlander & Weed.....      | 10 00  |
| C. F. Bullay.....          | 2 00   | Cash.....                     | 5 00   |
| G. P. Gillis.....          | 2 00   | " .....                       | 5 00   |

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| Denny, Poor & Co.....                 | \$5 00 | Cash.....                  | \$10 00 |
| J. G. Fitzpatrick.....                | 5 00   | S. & Co.....               | 5 00    |
| Fuller & Bro.....                     | 2 00   | Moss Bros.....             | 5 00    |
| Lewis Windmuller.....                 | 2 00   | J. J. Little.....          | 5 00    |
| Oberteuffer, Abegg & Denike           | 2 00   | A. H. Boylan, Kent & Co..  | 5 00    |
| E. Oelberman & Co.....                | 5 00   | G. C. Chapin.....          | 5 00    |
| Cash.....                             | 5 00   | C. H. Cole.....            | 5 00    |
| ".....                                | 10 00  | F. Blumenthal & Co.....    | 5 00    |
| Winslow, Whitlock, Chase<br>& Co..... | 5 00   | J. B. Hiller.....          | 10 00   |
| C. V. White.....                      | 5 00   | A Friend.....              | 10 00   |
| Cullen & Co.....                      | 1 00   | H. K. Burrows.....         | 5 00    |
| W. W. Dean.....                       | 5 00   | J. C. Graham & Co.....     | 5 00    |
| Ray & Co.....                         | 1 00   | A Friend.....              | 1 00    |
| Lawrence, Smith, Knapp &<br>Co.....   | 5 00   | A. W. Hard.....            | 5 00    |
| Gerheimer & Co.....                   | 10 00  | A Friend.....              | 5 00    |
| Rae & O. R. Stone, Agts....           | 5 00   | Pike & Johnson.....        | 2 00    |
| Martin & Hatfield.....                | 5 00   | Middleton & Co.....        | 3 00    |
| Old Dominion S. S. Co.....            | 10 00  | Cash.....                  | 1 00    |
| Cash.....                             | 1 00   | German Am. Bank.....       | 5 00    |
| ".....                                | 1 00   | Hard & Rand.....           | 5 00    |
| ".....                                | 2 00   | A Friend.....              | 1 00    |
| H. C. F. Koch & Son.....              | 5 00   | A. B. Darling.....         | 10 00   |
| S. Burkhalter & Co.....               | 10 00  | Cash.....                  | 1 00    |
| Eimer & Amend.....                    | 25 00  | R. J. D. & Co.....         | 5 00    |
| Cash.....                             | 2 00   | E. H. Cooper.....          | 20 00   |
| L. Boyce & Sons.....                  | 5 00   | A Friend.....              | 5 00    |
| C. H. Gostenheimer & Co..             | 5 00   | Devlin & Co.....           | 5 00    |
| W. H. Robertson.....                  | 5 00   | Herring & Co.....          | 5 00    |
| John S. Huyler.....                   | 10 00  | Dennison Mfg. Co.....      | 5 00    |
| Dunning & Palmer.....                 | 5 00   | A Friend.....              | 5 00    |
| Bramhall, Deane & Co.....             | 5 00   | J. M. & Co.....            | 5 00    |
| J. B. Newcomb & Co.....               | 5 00   | Cash.....                  | 5 00    |
| W. R. Pitt.....                       | 5 00   | ".....                     | 5 00    |
| Gilman Sons & Co.....                 | 5 00   | L. S. Lawrence.....        | 5 00    |
| T. Burrows.....                       | 10 00  | Skidder, Minford & Co....  | 10 00   |
| E. Duncan Sniffin.....                | 5 00   | J. O. Mathesius Wichers... | 10 00   |
| Walker & Co.....                      | 2 00   | J. O. Donaldson.....       | 10 00   |
| Van Amberg & Atterbury...             | 5 00   | Taintor & Holt.....        | 5 00    |
| P. Hackinburg.....                    | 1 00   | C. L. Tiffany.....         | 10 00   |
| W. H. Pulman.....                     | 5 00   | Fairbanks & Co.....        | 10 00   |
| D. J. Carsen.....                     | 1 63   | Sam. Zeimer.....           | 10 00   |
| H. Coop & Co.....                     | 5 00   | J. W. Dodworth, Treas...   | 10 00   |
| J. Van Horn Co.....                   | 5 00   | Cash.....                  | 5 00    |
| F. T. Dilingham.....                  | 5 00   | C. M. V.....               | 5 00    |
| R. Taylor.....                        | 10 00  | S. J. Lamb & Co.....       | 5 00    |
| C. D.....                             | 15 00  | Tillinghast & Seaman ..... | 10 00   |
| Kuhnhardt & Sons.....                 | 5 00   | Grosbeck & Co.....         | 5 00    |
| Loeb, Son & Co.....                   | 5 00   | Borum & Pease.....         | 5 00    |
| Cash.....                             | 1 00   | Holbrook & Bros.....       | 5 00    |
| W. H. Sheiffelin & Co.....            | 5 00   | Charity.....               | 5 00    |
| Munsell & Co.....                     | 2 00   | A friend.....              | 5 00    |
| Warren, Provost & Co.....             | 15 00  | Singer M'f'g Co.....       | 5 00    |
| Wiman Behier.....                     | 5 00   | Barrow & McGown.....       | 5 00    |
| T. J. Pope.....                       | 10 00  | Garlich & Co.....          | 5 00    |
|                                       |        | D. Appleton.....           | 10 00   |
|                                       |        | Mitchell, Vance & Co.....  | 5 00    |

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| St. Denis Hotel.....        | \$5 00 | Black, Sons & Co.....        | \$5 00 |
| A friend.....               | 2 00   | Lyon & Co.....               | 25 00  |
| Cheney, Bros.....           | 5 00   | Hopkins, Dwight & Co.....    | 10 00  |
| Scott & Co.....             | 5 00   | G. H. Weed & Co.....         | 10 00  |
| A friend.....               | 2 00   | Geo. C. Richardson & Co..... | 10 00  |
| Cash.....                   | 1 00   | Baldwin & Fulgraff.....      | 5 00   |
| " .....                     | 1 00   | Jas. McLean.....             | 10 00  |
| A. P. Barnum.....           | 25 00  | J. W. Watson.....            | 5 00   |
| A. Kimball.....             | 5 00   | C. F. Holtz & Co.....        | 10 00  |
| A friend.....               | 5 00   | Cash.....                    | 5 00   |
| Hitchcock & Darling.....    | 10 00  | B. Altman & Co.....          | 10 00  |
| Jacob Hess.....             | 15 00  | Austin, Nichols & Co.....    | 10 00  |
| W. P. Clyde.....            | 5 00   | W. Rockfellow.....           | 10 00  |
| P. V. & Co.....             | 5 00   | S. V. White.....             | 10 00  |
| Carhart, Whitford & Co..... | 5 00   | E. C. Bliss.....             | 1 00   |
| Cash.....                   | 5 00   | Crook & Co .....             | 5 00   |
| " .....                     | 2 00   | Hillyer & Co.....            | 10 00  |
| A friend.....               | 10 00  | A. A. Drake & Co.....        | 10 00  |
| Sypher & Co.....            | 10 00  | C. Van Cott.....             | 25 00  |
| John P. O'Brien.....        | 5 00   | Morris & Son.....            | 5 00   |
| B. F. Butler.....           | 5 00   | Cash.....                    | 10 00  |
| Cash.....                   | 1 00   | Lehman, Son & Co.....        | 5 00   |
| Poulsen & Eager.....        | 10 00  | F. Blumenthal & Co.....      | 5 00   |
| Clark, Dodge & Co.....      | 5 00   | Cash.....                    | 5 00   |
| John Dwight.....            | 10 00  | Sanger & Wells.....          | 2 00   |
| R. G. & Co.....             | 10 00  | J. Campbell.....             | 5 00   |
| Motley & Sterling & Co..... | 10 00  | W. A. Rogers.....            | 3 00   |
| W. Lyall & Co.....          | 10 00  | Henderson & Butler.....      | 5 00   |
| W. H. Arnoux & Co.....      | 10 00  | R. G. Dunn & Co.....         | 25 00  |
| Frankenthal Bros.....       | 10 00  | Bloomingdale Bros.....       | 10 00  |
| Oswald Ottendorfer.....     | 10 00  | C. M. Depew.....             | 10 00  |
| S. Arrons.....              | 10 00  | Eastman, Bigelow & Dayton    | 5 00   |
| H. Davidson.....            | 10 00  | C. C. C. Clark.....          | 10 00  |
| Russell & Co.....           | 10 00  | A. F. Brown:.....            | 5 00   |
| A friend.....               | 5 00   | Butler Bros. & Co.....       | 10 00  |
| P. Keenan.....              | 10 00  | Cash.....                    | 5 00   |
| D. G. Rollins.....          | 10 00  | " .....                      | 10 00  |
| H. L. Lacombe.....          | 10 00  | G. A. Lansing.....           | 5 00   |
| E. R. Craft.....            | 2 00   | Megroz, Portier, Grosse & Co | 5 00   |

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# AN ACT

## To Incorporate the New York Infant Asylum.

[Passed March 11, 1865, and amended April 18, 1872, and April 2, 1877.]

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*The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:*

SECTION 1. Edward Delafield, M.D., Charles Ely, Earl Douglas, Ebenezer P. Rogers, D.D., Henry E. Montgomery, D.D., Richard F. Carman, Stephen Smith, M.D., John David Wolfe, James F. DePeyster, Willard Parker, M.D., George Jones, Joel Foster, M.D., William C. Prime and their associates and successors, are hereby constituted a body corporate, by the name of the New York Infant Asylum, and by that name shall have and possess all the powers and privileges, and be subject to the provisions and restrictions prescribed and specified in title three, chapter eighteen, part one of the Revised Statutes, and shall have power to take real and personal estate by gift, devise, demise, bequest or purchase; but such real estate shall not exceed the yearly value of twenty thousand dollars, nor shall the property or income of such corporation be applied or appropriated to any purpose other than as specified in this act.

§ 2. The objects of said corporation are to receive and take charge of foundlings and other infant children of the age of two years and under, which may be entrusted to their charge as hereinafter specified, and to provide for their support, and moral, physical, intellectual and industrial education; also to provide such lying-in wards and methods of care and guidance as shall tend to prevent the maternal abandonment of homeless infants, and diminish the moral dangers and personal sufferings to which homeless mothers are exposed.

§ 3. The property, business and affairs of said corporation shall be managed by a board of at least seventeen members, and the persons named in the first section of this act, together with the *ex-officio* members hereinafter named, shall constitute the first board of managers. All vacancies which may happen in the board, excepting of *ex-officio* mem-

bers, shall be filled by the board at an election to be held for that purpose under such regulations as may be prescribed in the by-laws of the corporation. The members constituting the board of managers may be, at any time, increased by vote of the board at a meeting duly called for that purpose; provided, however, that said board shall not be increased so as to consist of more than thirty members.

The Mayor of the City of New York, the President of the Board of Supervisors of the city and county, the President of the Board of Commissioners of Public Charities and Corrections of said City and County of New York, and the President of the Board of Police, for the time being, shall be *ex-officio* managers of the said corporation.

§ 4. At all meetings of the managers five members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of ordinary business, but no purchase, sale or other disposition of real estate, nor appointment or removal of any officer of the corporation, nor election to fill a vacancy in the board, nor any contract involving an expenditure of more than five hundred dollars shall be made, nor shall the number constituting the board of managers be increased, nor any by-law be adopted, amended or appealed, without the presence of a majority of the managers.

§ 5. The said corporation shall have the power to procure or erect and maintain, either within the City of New York, or in some other suitable and convenient place within the State of New York, and distant not more than thirty miles from the City of New York, a suitable building or buildings for an asylum for such children as may be entrusted to and received by them agreeably to the provisions of this act; and shall have power also to procure or erect and maintain, within the City of New York, a house of reception where such children may be first received and temporarily accommodated. Whenever any child shall be received by the said corporation in such house of reception, under the provisions of section eight of this act, it shall not be lawful for said corporation, within the period of thirty days next succeeding, to place such child in their asylum; but such child shall remain in said house of reception for said period of thirty days, unless sooner discharged and removed agreeably to the provisions of this act.

§ 6. The said corporation may receive and take under its care and management :

(1.) Children of the age of two years, or under, found in the City of New York abandoned or deserted, as hereinafter specified.

(2.) Children of like age, born out of wedlock, who, by consent in writing of the mother, may be entrusted to said corporation.

(3.) Children of like age, whose father or whose mother is dead, and whose surviving parent is, for any cause, unable to maintain them, and who, by consent in writing of such surviving parent, may be entrusted to said corporation.

(4.) Children of like age, whose parents are, from any cause, unable to maintain them, and who, by consent in writing of the father, or, in case the father shall have been legally declared an habitual drunkard, or a lunatic, or shall be imprisoned on conviction of crime, or shall have been legally declared to have abandoned his family, then, by the consent in writing of the mother, may be entrusted to said corporation.

(5.) Children of like age, having no parent living, and who, by consent in writing of their guardian, or nearest relative of full age, may be entrusted to said corporation.

(6.) Children of like age, who may be transferred and entrusted to said corporation by the Commissioners of Public Charities and Correction of the City and County of New York.

§ 7. Children entrusted to said corporation by the voluntary act of their parents, guardian or nearest relations, as hereinbefore provided, shall be deemed to be in the lawful charge and custody of said corporation. Such entrusting shall be made and evidenced by an instrument in writing, in form substantially as follows, viz.: I, A. B. (father, mother, guardian or nearest relative, as the case may be), of a (male or female, as the case may be) infant child; aged       , named        (or not named, as the case may be), born at       , do hereby surrender, and entrust to the New York Infant Asylum, for the period of        years, the entire management and control of such child, and do hereby assign to and invest said corporation with the same powers and control over said child as those of which I am possessed.

§ 8. Whenever any child of the age of two years, or under, shall be found on any street, avenue, highway, lane, alley, public place, dock, pier, vacant lot or yard, or in any vacant or uninhabited room, house, tenement, shed or building of any kind, in the City of New York, abandoned or deserted, it shall be lawful for any policeman or other person so finding such child to take, or cause the same to be taken, to the house of reception that may be provided by said corporation in the City of New York, and place such child in the custody of such corporation, thereupon making and subscribing, in a register to be kept for that purpose in said house of reception by said corporation, an entry in writing describing such child as nearly as may be, and setting forth with particularity the time and place, when and where, with the name and residence of the person by whom such child was so found abandoned or deserted.

§ 9. The said corporation shall immediately thereupon cause a notice, substantially in the following form, with the blanks properly filled and subscribed by the superintendent of the said house of reception, to be furnished to the Metropolitan Police Commissioners, who shall cause the same to be posted in each of the police station houses in said city, viz.:

NOTICE.—This is to certify that a child of about the age of       , hair       , eyes       , color       , was, on the        day of       , 18       , found in the City of New York abandoned or deserted, and has been placed in the custody of the New York Infant Asylum, and, unless reclaimed, according to law, within thirty days, such child will remain in the charge and custody of said corporation.

Dated       , 18       , Superintendent.

§ 10. If, within said period of thirty days after such notice shall have been so posted, any person claiming to be the parent or lawful guardian of such child shall make oath thereof before some magistrate of the City of New York, such magistrate shall thereupon issue a summons to said corporation to appear before him, at a time and place to be specified, not less than two nor more than four days from the service thereof, to attend the hearing of said claim for such child, and with said summons shall be served a copy of the affidavit so made before said magistrate. Upon the hearing, if the claimant shall establish by competent testimony, to the satisfaction of the magistrate, that such claimant is the parent or lawful guardian of such child, such magistrate shall thereupon make an order for the delivery of such child to such claimant. And the

said claimant may thereupon remove the said child from the custody of the said corporation; provided, however, that if it shall satisfactorily appear to such magistrate that such claimant, from habitual drunkenness, or other vicious or depraved habits or mode of life, or from indigence or lunacy, or other cause, is an unfit or improper person to have the care and custody of such child, he shall thereupon dismiss the said claim, and remand such child to the care and custody of said corporation. And in case upon the hearing the claimant shall fail to establish by competent testimony, to the satisfaction of the magistrate, that such claimant is the parent or lawful guardian of such child, then such magistrate shall thereupon dismiss the claim, and remand the child to the care and custody of said corporation.

¶ 11. In case no such claim shall be made within said period of thirty days, or, being made within that period, shall be dismissed by the magistrate, then such child shall remain and be deemed to be in the lawful care and custody of the said corporation, if a female, until the age of eighteen years, and if a male until the age of twenty-one years, unless sooner discharged by said corporation, as hereinafter provided.

¶ 12. If at any time within three years after any child so found abandoned or deserted as aforesaid shall have been entrusted to the custody of said corporation, as above provided, it shall appear to the satisfaction of the Board of Managers, or any Justice of the Supreme Court or County Judge, that such child was for any cause wrongfully or improvidently so entrusted, the said board shall thereupon, on the application of the parents or guardian of said child, discharge the said child, and restore it to such parents or guardian. And in case at any time after such abandoned or deserted child shall have been entrusted to said corporation it shall appear to the Board of Managers, having due regard to the welfare of such child and the purpose of said corporation, expedient or proper to discharge such child, the said Board of Managers may, in their discretion, thereupon discharge such child, and restore it to its parents, guardian or other protector on such reasonable terms and conditions as the said board may deem right and proper.

¶ 13. Whenever any child, being in the custody of the said corporation, shall, by the commission of any crime, or by confirmed evil habits, have become so degraded or debased as, in the opinion of the Board of Managers, to be an improper subject for the care and management of said corporation, the said corporation shall have the power to deliver such child into the custody of some magistrate or other competent authority of the City and County of New York to be disposed of in due course of law.

¶ 14. The said corporation shall have the power, when the children in their care shall respectively attain a proper age, to procure the adoption of suitable foster parents of such children as may properly be so adopted out, to place them at suitable employments, and cause them to be instructed in suitable branches of knowledge, and at discretion to bind out or indenture such children, when of suitable ages, as clerks, apprentices or servants, to some profession, trade or employment, for such time or period as they may deem proper, not exceeding, however, in the case of girls, to the age of eighteen, and in the case of boys, to the age of twenty-one years; provided, however, that in the case of children voluntarily entrusted to said corporation by their parents, guardians or nearest relatives, as hereinbefore provided, the said corporation shall not bind out or indenture any such child for a period beyond the time for which such children have been entrusted to said corporation.

§ 15. No person to whom any child shall have been bound to service under the provisions of this act, or his executors, administrators or assigns, shall assign or transfer the indenture or contract of service to any other person, nor let or hire out for any period the services of such child, without the consent in writing of said corporation; and upon granting any such consent the said corporation may prescribe and impose any terms and conditions they may deem reasonable and proper; and every such assignment, when duly made with consent as aforesaid, shall have the effect to transfer to and vest in the assignee all the rights of the original master; and such assignee shall be subject to all the duties and obligations of such original master.

§ 16. In case of the death of any master to whom any child shall have been bound to service under the provisions of this act, or in case of the death of the assignee of any such master, then such death shall have the effect to cancel and annul the indenture or contract of service; and thereupon the said corporation shall resume the charge and management of such child, and have the same power and authority with regard to it as before the indenture or contract of service was made.

§ 17. Any indenture or contract of service by which any child shall have been bound out under the provisions of this act, may, by the mutual consent of the master or the assignee and the said corporation, be cancelled and annulled upon such terms and conditions as may be mutually agreed upon, and thereupon the said corporation shall resume the charge and management of such child, and have the same power and authority with regard to it as before the indenture or contract of service was made.

§ 18. If any master or assignee shall be guilty of any cruelty or misusage towards any child so bound out to service under the provisions of this act, or shall refuse or neglect to furnish and provide proper food and clothing to such child, or shall commit any other breach or violation of the terms of the indenture or contract of service under which such child is held, such child, or any person in its behalf, may make complaint thereof to the board of managers of the said corporation, or to a justice of the Supreme Court, or to some justice of the peace of the county where such child is held to service, or to the mayor, recorder or an alderman, or any other magistrate of any city where such child is so held to service, who shall thereupon summon the said master or assignee to appear before them or him, and shall examine into, hear and determine such complaint; and if, upon such hearing, the said complaint shall appear to be well founded, they or he shall, by certificate in writing, discharge such child from the obligation of service, and restore such child to the charge and custody of said corporation, and with the like power as before the said indenture or contract of service was made; and the said master or assignee shall also be liable to the said corporation, in a civil action, for the breach of the agreement.

§ 19. The board of managers of the said corporation shall be the guardian of every child bound out or held for service under the provisions of this act, and shall see that the terms of the contract be faithfully performed by the master or assignee, and that such child is properly treated. And they shall inquire into the treatment of such child and redress any grievance in manner prescribed by law.

§ 20. Every master or assignee to whom any child shall be bound or held to service under the provisions of this act, shall, at least once in every six months during such term of service, report in writing to the board of managers of the said corporation, the conduct or behavior of

such child, and whether such child is still living under the care of the person to whom such child was originally bound, and if not, where and with whom such child is living. And all indentures and contracts of service made under this act, shall in terms provide for such report being made.

§ 21. All damages that may be recovered and received by said corporation of any master or assignee for the breach or violation of the indenture or contract of service by which any child shall be bound out under the provisions of this act, after deducting therefrom the necessary expenses of recovering and collecting the same, shall be held by the said corporation in trust for, and paid over to, said child; if a female, at the age of eighteen years, and if a male, at the age of twenty-one years; provided, however, that if such child shall die before attaining such age, the said damages shall revert and belong to the said corporation.

§ 22. In each and every year after this act shall take effect the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of New York shall levy and collect by tax, at the same time and in the same manner as the contingent charges and expenses of the city and county are levied and collected, and pay over to said corporation, a sum of money at the rate of thirty-eight cents per day, in monthly payments, for each and every child received and maintained by said asylum; and it shall be the duty of the Comptroller of said city to reimburse and pay over the difference between thirty-eight cents per day and the amount actually received by said asylum from said supervisors since the passage of the amendment dated April eighteenth, eighteen hundred and seventy-two, to the aforesaid act of incorporation of eighteen hundred and sixty-five. It is further provided, that whenever any homeless or needy mother has received care and attendance in the lying-in wards of the New York Infant Asylum, the managers of said asylum shall be entitled to receive, and shall receive, from the county treasurer, as hereinbefore provided, the sum of twenty-five dollars for said care and obstetric attendance, and whenever any mother thus domiciled and attended at the birth of her child, and whenever any other homeless or needy mother, with a nursing infant, resides at the asylum, by the request of its officers, and wet-nurses her own infant, the managers of said institution shall be entitled to receive, and shall receive, from the County Treasurer, the sum of eighteen dollars per month, and proportionally for any fraction of a month, for each mother so remaining under their charge in said asylum, provided such residence shall exceed the period of two months, to be paid, as hereinbefore provided, in monthly, quarterly, or annual payments, as said managers may request; but the managers of the said institution shall not be entitled to receive the said monthly allowance for a longer period than for one year for any mother so remaining.

§ 23. Whenever any child, properly chargeable upon the fund placed by law at the disposal of the Commissioners of Emigration, shall, agreeably to the provisions of this act, be intrusted and supported and maintained by the said corporation, the said corporation shall be entitled to receive from the fund sums that are respectively designated and determined by the provisions of the twenty-second section of this act, for the infants and children of the two classes of ages in the said section respectively named.

§ 24. Schools may be established and maintained by the said corporation, and shall participate in the distribution of the Common School fund in the same manner and degree as the common schools of the City

and County of New York, and the amount so distributed shall be paid to the board of managers of said corporation.

§ 25. The board of managers of said corporation shall, on or before the fourth Monday in January, in each and every year, make to the Legislature and to the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of New York, a detailed report of the whole number of children received by the said corporation during the year preceding, specifying the age, sex, residence, place of nativity, and also the nationality of parents, when it can be ascertained, and whether the parents are living or dead, are temperate or intemperate; and as to all the children in their charge during the preceding year, specifying the time devoted to instruction, the nature and amount of punishment, the cases of disease, the number apprenticed or bound out to service, the number escaped, the number of deaths, the number restored to parents or guardians, or otherwise discharged, and also such information as they may have received of the conduct of those who have been bound out or apprenticed, as well as the facts generally in relation to the performance of their duties by those at service; also, the industrial occupation and pursuits of those at service; also, the receipts, expenditures, and financial condition of the corporation, and its general operations, with their results.

§ 26. The asylum and house of reception of the said corporation shall be subject to visitation and inspection by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of New York, in any reasonable manner that may be directed by said Board of Supervisors; and it shall be the duty of the said Board of Supervisors to cause said asylum and house of reception to be visited and inspected at least twice each year.

§ 27. The board of managers of said corporation may receive children in said house of reception, similarly situated, from other counties in this State, upon such terms as may be agreed upon between them and the superintendent of the poor of such counties respectively. The superintendents of the poor in the several counties shall have the same power to send children, under such agreement, to said house of reception, as the said managers have under this act, and all the provisions of this act shall apply to the children of said counties.

§ 28. This act shall take effect immediately.

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A R T I C L E   I.

O F F I C E R S.

SEC. 1.—The officers of this Asylum shall consist of an Honorary President, a President, a first and second Vice-President, a Secretary and Treasurer. They shall be chosen by ballot from the Board of Managers, and shall hold their respective offices for the period of one year from the date of their election, or until their successors are elected.

SEC. 2.—The President, or one of the Vice-Presidents, shall preside at all meetings of the Board; in their absence a presiding officer shall be chosen from the Managers present.

SEC. 3.—The Secretary shall keep the minutes of all meetings of the Board, notify all Officers of their election, inform Committees of their appointment, keep a complete record of the name and residence of each manager, and conduct correspondence.

SEC. 4.—The Treasurer shall keep a complete list of names of subscribers and donors, take charge of all funds of the Society, and disburse the same under the direction of the Board. He shall also present to the Board a monthly report of all funds received and disbursed by him, together with an annual report of the same.

SEC. 5.—The Board may, in its discretion, elect a second Honorary President at the Annual Meeting, in which case the Honorary President shall be styled First Honorary President.

A R T I C L E   I I.

M E M B E R S H I P.

A donation of five hundred dollars shall constitute a Patron; a donation of one hundred dollars, an Honorary member; and, of fifty dollars, a Life Member of the Society.

A R T I C L E   I I I.

C O M M I T T E E S.

SEC. 1.—The Board shall appoint annually the following Standing Committees, viz.: an Executive Committee, a Finance Committee, an Auditing Committee, a Medical Committee, and a Committee on Adoptions, and such other Standing Committees as it may deem necessary for the best interests of the Asylum.

SEC. 2.—The Executive Committee shall consist of nine members (five of whom shall constitute a quorum), who shall have power to transact all business of the Asylum, subject to the approval of the Board.

SEC. 3.—The Finance Committee shall consist of three members, one of whom shall be the Treasurer, whose duty it shall be to exercise a general supervision over the finances of the Board, and devise ways and means for increasing the funds of the Asylum, as the Board may from time to time direct.

SEC. 4.—The Auditing Committee shall consist of two members, who shall examine and pass all accounts before they are presented to the Board.

SEC. 5.—The Medical Committee shall consist of not less than five members, whose duty it shall be to supervise the sanitary condition of the Asylum, and the health of its inmates, under the direction of the Board, and perform such other duties as may be assigned them by the Board.

SEC. 6.—The Committee on Adoptions shall have charge of the adoption of children, subject to the approval of the Board.

SEC. 7.—All standing Committees shall be required to report at the regular meetings of the Board unless otherwise directed.

## A R T I C L E IV.

### MEETINGS.

SEC. 1.—The Board of Managers shall meet on the third Tuesday in every alternate month after January 1, 1872, at eight o'clock P. M., at the Asylum, or at such other time and place as the Board may direct, for the transaction of business; special meetings may be called at any time by the President, or at the request of five managers in writing. The object of such meeting shall be specified in the call.

SEC. 2.—The Annual Meeting of this Society shall be held on the third Tuesday of January, at eight o'clock P. M., at the Asylum, or at such other time and place as the Board may direct.

SEC. 3.—The order of business of the stated meetings of the Board shall be as follows, viz.:

- Minutes of Previous Meetings.
- Treasurer's Report.
- Reports of Standing Committees.
- Reports of Special Committees.
- Reports of the Ladies' Committees.
- Unfinished and Miscellaneous Business.

## A R T I C L E V.

### PHYSICIANS.

SEC. 1.—Visiting, Resident and Consulting Physicians and Surgeons shall be appointed annually by the Board. Their duties shall be such as may be from time to time fixed by the Board.

SEC. 2.—The Board shall also appoint a Curator and Pathologist and such other officials in the Medical or Sanitary Department as it may deem for the best interests of the Asylum.

## ARTICLE VI.

## MATRONS.

Matrons for the various Branches of the Asylum shall be appointed annually by the Board. They shall keep such books and records, and perform such duties as shall be required of them by the Board.

## ARTICLE VII.

## REVISION.

These By-Laws may be revised and amended at the Annual Meeting of the Board, or at a meeting called for the purpose, by the concurrence of two-thirds of the members present, notice to that effect having been given one month previously.

## RULES OF ADMISSION.

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1. Needy women in the City or County of New York, of previously good character, are received for confinement; the time of their reception being at the discretion of the Medical Committee; and they are required to remain in the Asylum at least three months after confinement. Applicants from any other County will be admitted to the Asylum only in accordance with those provisions of its Charter concerning the maintenance of such applicants and their infants; and no applicant admitted from any other State than New York can become in any manner a dependent upon this City or State.
2. No woman who has previously given birth to an illegitimate child shall be admitted to the Asylum.
3. Mothers, when discharged, may leave their infants to the care of the Asylum, provided that they have remained in the Asylum for one year subsequent to their confinement. Should they leave the Asylum at an earlier period, they may be required to take their infants with them.
4. Nursing mothers, with their infants, are received in conformity with the above rules.
5. As a general rule, the mother is expected to remain and nurse her infant for one year.
6. Exceptions to the foregoing rules may be made only at the discretion of the Medical Committee.



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